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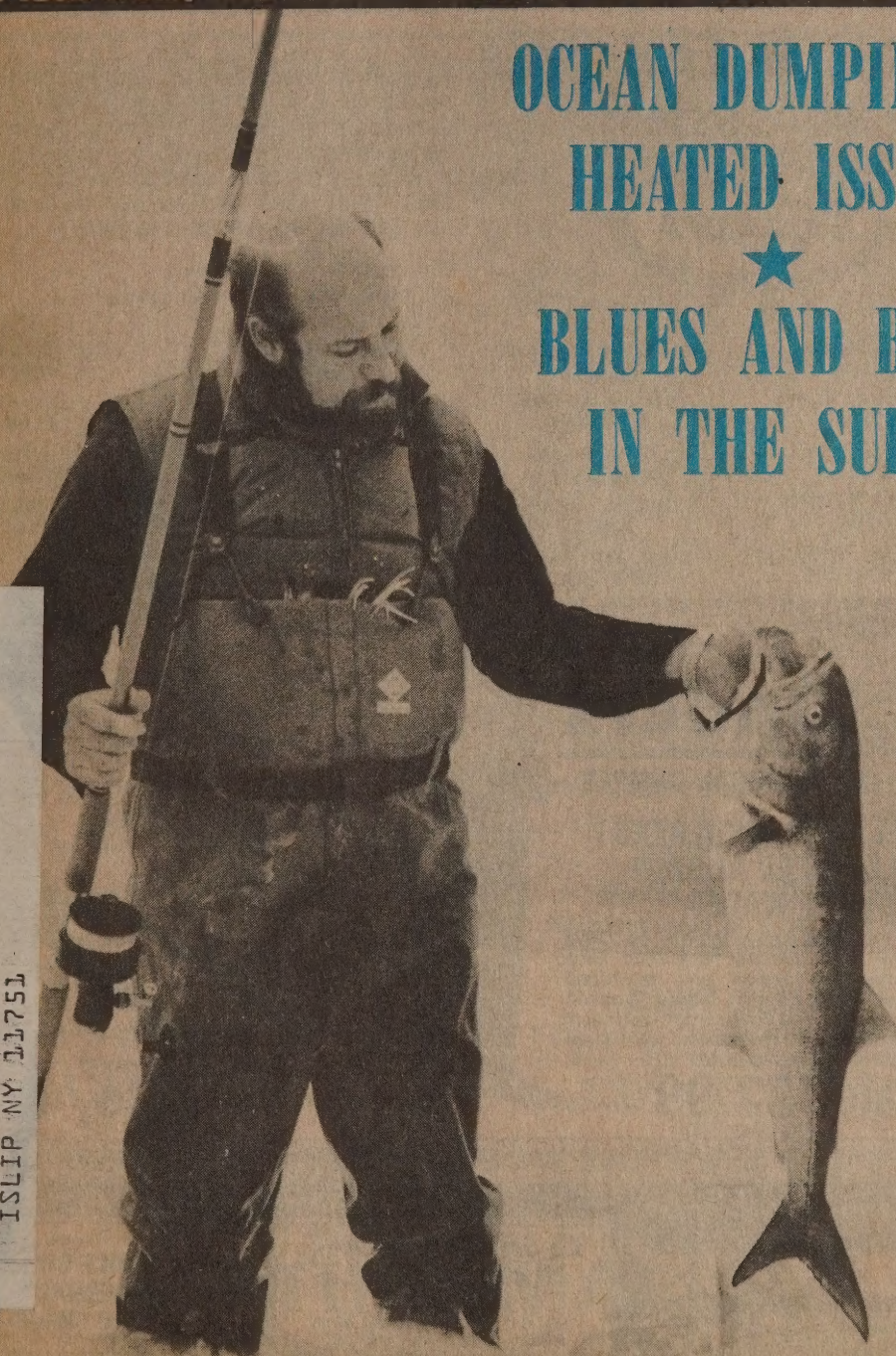
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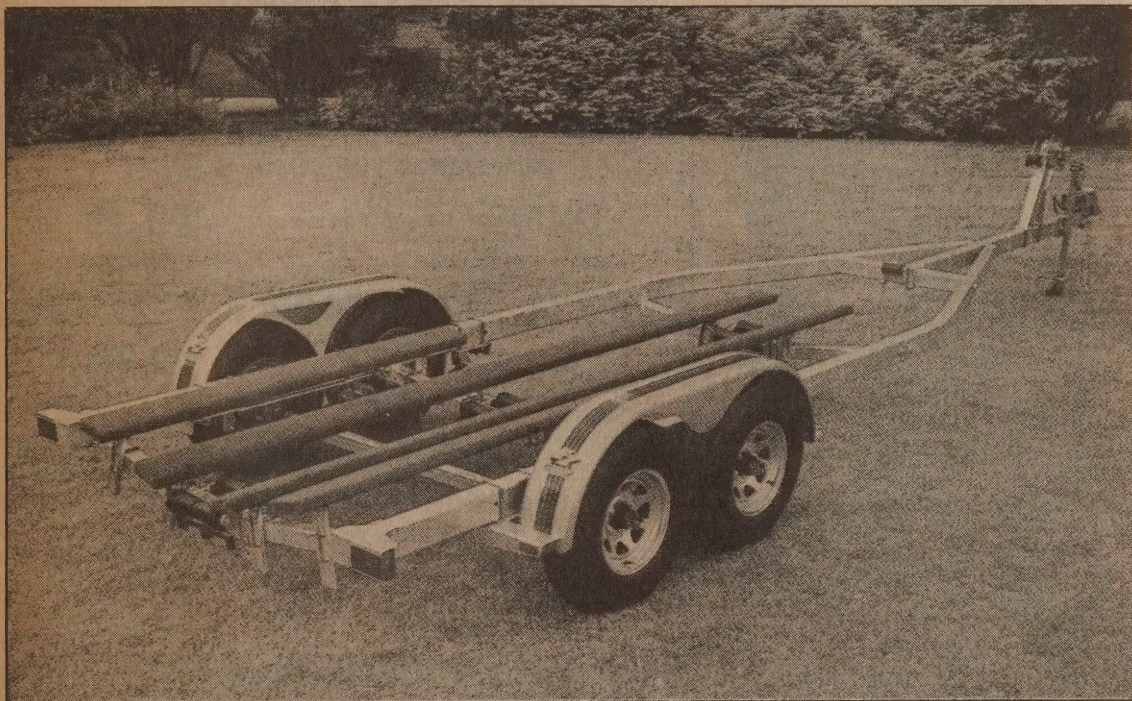
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ABOUT THE COVER:

Surf fishing is at it's peak around the Island now and blues like this have been providing much of the action. You'll find articles dealing with surf fishing on pages 20 and 23 and there is also an upcoming Surf Fishing Workshop slated for Thursday, October 29. More info is provided on page 22. Photo by Dick Mermon.

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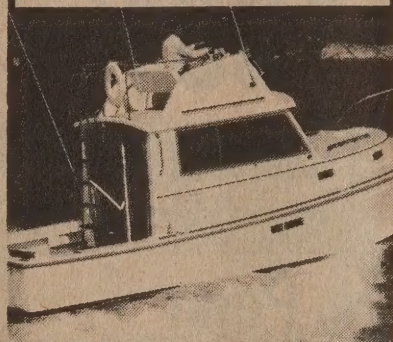
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Now that the summer boating season is drawing to a close, those of us who fish, sail, or just cruise around, can turn our attention to sharpening our boating skills.

Beginning Monday, October 19, Flotilla 13-10 of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary is offering its rewarding Boating Skills and Seamanship course at the Plainedge Junior High School. The course will be taught on Monday evenings from 8-10PM. Course length is seven lessons.

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For more information about New York City's Master Angler program, or for an application, please contact: Bill Fink, Cornell University Cooperative Extension, 100 Clinton Street, 2nd Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11201; (718) 237-0920.

FOR THE PARTY BOAT ANGLER ON YOUR CHRISTMAS LIST

If you have a friend or family member who enjoys fishing aboard any of Long Island's numerous open or "party" boats, Northeast Sportsman's Press may have the perfect Christmas present for you. It's a new book, *Northeast Party Boat Fishing*, written by Mastic, Long Island author, Tom Schlichter.

Through its 20 chapters and 150 pages, the book reveals a wealth of information, some of it never covered before in any fishing book. One chapter, for example, deals with finding and choosing party boats (with a list of popular party boat ports from Maine to Chesapeake Bay). Another covers party boat strategies and etiquette (including the controversial topic of which position to choose on the boat). Still others unveil secrets of the pool sharks, or talk about proper equipment, hooks and knots. The final two chapters cover proper fish care and fish cookery, respectively. There are about eight pages of delicious and unusual fish recipes.

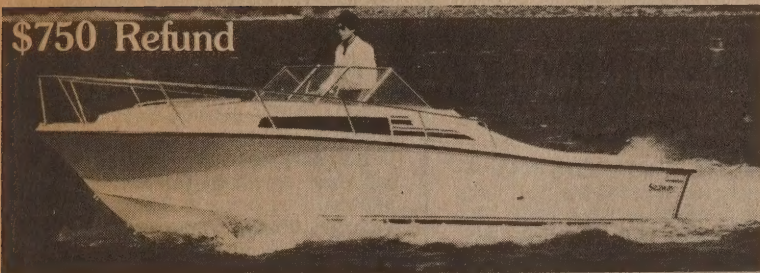
On a chapter by chapter basis, the author covers more than a dozen of the most popular party boat species, from bottom fish like flounder, blackfish and sea bass, right on up to battling bluefish, cod and tuna, the latter often weighing hundreds of pounds. The species information is very specific and most of it would be useful for all coastal anglers who fish from boats—be they open or private.

Author Schlichter is a well-known fisherman and columnist who has contributed to such magazines as *Sports Afield*, *The Fisherman*, *Boy's Life* and others. A former professional clammer, Schlichter has nearly 20 years experience on the water.

Northeast Party Boat Fishing contains dozens of photos, plus in-

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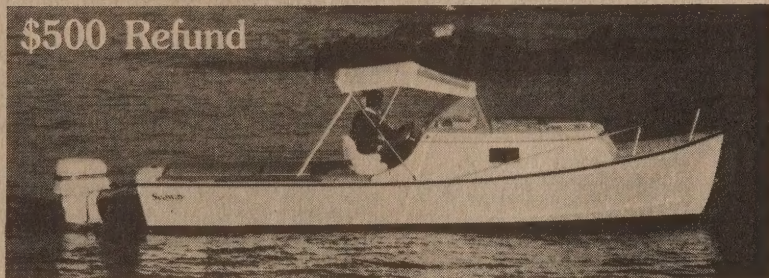
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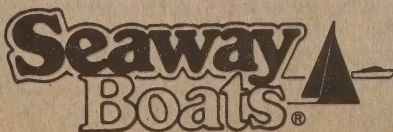
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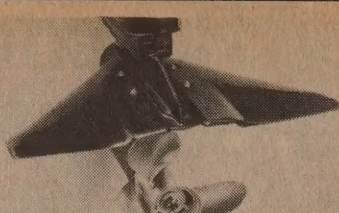


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STRIPED BASS TAGGING PROGRAM AT VIMS

The Virginia Institute of Marine Science of the College of William and Mary personnel are working with other state and federal biologists along the Atlantic Coast and the Chesapeake Bay in gathering information that will assist in the effort to enhance striped bass stocks, one of the East Coast's most prized recreational and commercial species. The program in which striped bass are being tagged and released is part of a cooperative effort among states from North Carolina to Maine, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Marine Fisheries Service, Virginia Marine Resources Commission, Atlantic State Marine Fisheries Commission, the Potomac River Fisheries Commission, and the District of Columbia.

Approximately 40,000 wild striped bass are being tagged and released off the coasts of Rhode Island, New York's Long Island Sound and in the Chesapeake Bay by both Virginia and Maryland fishery biologists. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) is functioning as a repository for recapture data. Fishermen are asked to be on the lookout for bright orange streamers, called spaghetti tags which bear the inscription:

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wet during the handling. If possible, fishermen should note either the total length or fork length of the fish, type of gear used to capture the fish, location of capture, time, date, and general condition of the fish. The reward is \$5 or a fishing cap with the slogan: "Participant Striped Bass Conservation." The rewards were donated by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, Washington, D.C.

VIMS personnel tagged and released approximately 2,000 striped bass on the James River this past spring with the help of several commercial fishermen. During this coming fall, they plan to tag and release approximately 3,000 striped bass on the Rappahannock River, again with the help of commercial fishermen.

Dr. Joseph G. Loesch of VIMS says the objectives of tagging and releasing striped bass in the Chesapeake Bay are to evaluate the degree of striped bass exploitation within and outside the Chesapeake Bay region under fishery restrictions, to assess the coastal migratory pattern of Virginia's striped bass, to assess the degree of fidelity to the river of capture by mature, migrant fish in subsequently spawning seasons, and to enhance our present knowledge of age, growth and size at maturity of striped bass. The findings of this cooperative program will be available to all federal and state agencies involved in the formulation of striped

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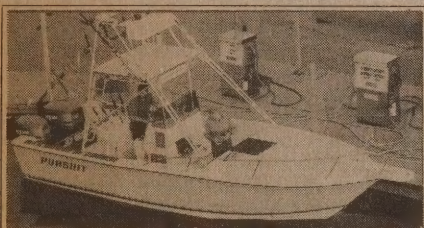
by Henry Lyman

Chopper, slammer, *Pomatomus saltatrix*, "the mouth that swims." The names are legion, but for thousands of saltwater anglers they mean one thing: bluefish. Now there is one book to which all fishermen can turn to for important information about this prized fish: *Bluefishing*, by Henry Lyman.

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Henry Lyman is the former publisher of Salt Water Sportsman Magazine and is the author of several books, including *Bottom Fishing* and *Striped Bass Fishing* (both with Frank Woolner). •\$16.95 hardcover; \$8.95 paperback; 160 pages, with over 50 black and white photographs.



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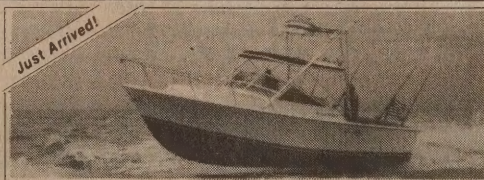


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FISHER MARSH HAWK

by J.B. Kasper

Want a bass boat that's fast, light in weight, has super stability and you won't have to mortgage the home—stead to buy? I know it sounds too good to be true, but there is such a boat. For the past several years I have been looking for the perfect boat with which to guide fishing trips on the Delaware River. Starting this season I have been using a Marsh Hawk V3 and let me tell you, it fits the bill nicely. It more than compensates for the many different conditions that present themselves in the river.

First off, it's made entirely of aluminum. This is a plus for any boat that is used on the river because of the rocky make-up of the bottom and the pounding that comes along with it if you want to get into some of the better spots. As a hull material, aluminum is tops not only because of its light weight. No matter how well you know a river, unlike a lake, it will change. Its water will rise and fall with current conditions and no matter how careful you are, sooner or later you will bounce off of something.

The one thing many of the better

bass boats lack is a shallow draft. Most of them draw too much water to make them practical in a body of water such as the Delaware. In most cases, fiberglass boats are too heavy and draw too much water. The fiberglass also can't take the punishment that most rivers can give out. Other aluminum boats incorporate wood for their decks and this gives them added weight. The Marsh Hawk, on the other hand, uses aluminum in their decks and eliminates this weight. Many fishermen believe that without the weight, you will lose stability and this is simply untrue. The Marsh Hawk's 69 inch beam distributes the boat's weight out evenly and gives you the stability that you need. The boat's stripped down weight of 500 pounds is considerably less than other boats of similar design and size. Once on plane, the lighter weight of this boat will also provide you with added fuel economy.

In the motor department, it is rated for 70 hp. My personal boat is powered by Evinrude. This new generation motor provides more than

ample power for the light Marsh Hawk. Since the motor is also light in weight, it makes an excellent choice, as power plant for the boat. The combination of the Marsh Hawk and 20 hp Evinrude gives me the stability, power and shallow draft perfect for fishing a shallow river and it will also give you some versatility in the shallow parts of lakes and reservoirs.

Storage is no problem for the Marsh Hawk. A hold located below the forward deck provides ample storage for all the necessities that make a fishing trip easier. There is also storage under the side console and seats. The console itself has plenty of room to mount your chart recorders, temperature gauge, compass and any other electronics you might want to add to your boat. I have also mounted rod racks on the front and side of the console. Gas tank and battery storage is relegated to the rear storage compartment located next to the transom.

No bass boat would be complete without a live well and like everything else on the boat, Fisher didn't skimp in this department, either. A good sized live well is located between the driver and passenger seats. It is electronically aerated, with the pump controls located on the console.

The boat also comes complete with a bilge pump and running lights, which are also controlled from the dash. Optional features such as a locking rod case and forward live well are also available. Another prominent feature is the snagless carpeting that is standard equipment on the Marsh Hawk, and believe me, this can be a real blessing, especially when many of the anglers with whom you are fishing aren't used to fishing from a boat. Fisher has even incorporated spring loaded seats for extra comfort on those long days of fishing. Both fore and aft deck seats are removable, which makes for easier covering and boat storage.

One last thought on the Marsh Hawk V-3. Its light weight makes it easier to load onto a trailer and getting a good sized bass boat on and off a trailer can really be a chore, especially when the water is on the low side and the ramps are shallow.

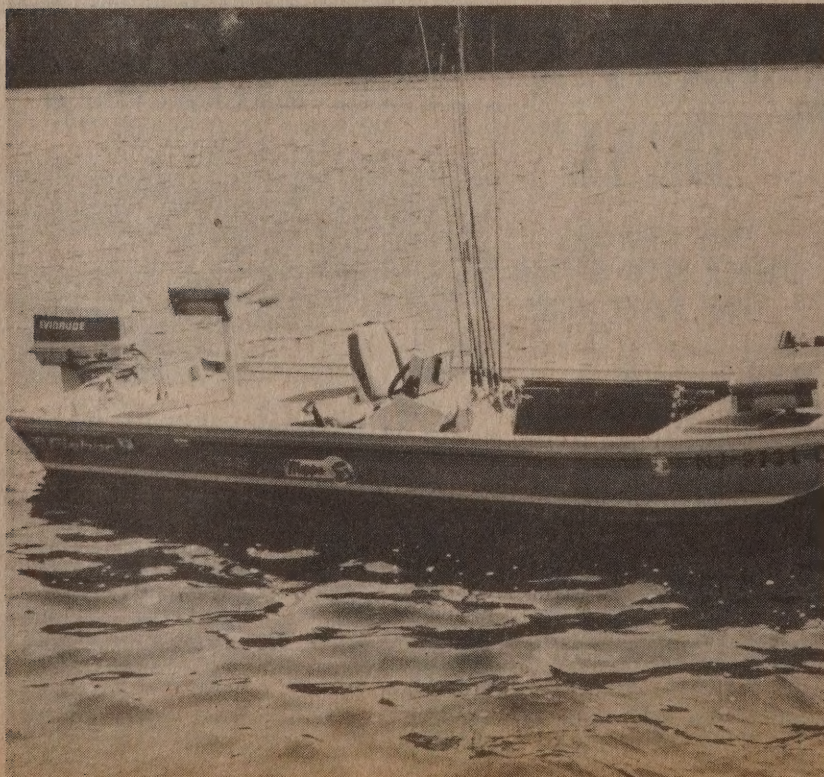
If you are looking to invest some bucks into a new bass boat, you won't make a better choice than the Fisher Marsh Hawk V-3. Depending on options and dealers, it is less expensive than its competitors. So give it a look see; you might be surprised at how much boat you get for your money.

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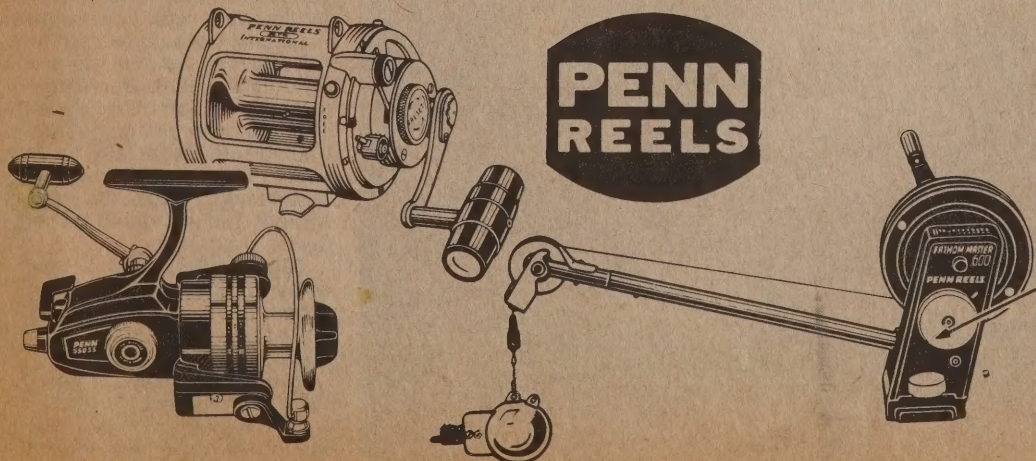
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Product Review

TONY ACCETTA SPOONS

—by Pete Barrett—

Spoon lures have been fooling fish longer than anyone can remember. There are references to spoon-like lures in Egypt's ancient tombs and the Romans used spoon-like lures in the Mediterranean Sea centuries ago, perhaps to troll for bluefish or school tuna.

The old saw about a more modern day fisherman who, while dishing out some food from a can, drops his eating spoon over the side of his rowboat and then sees a monstrous pike (or musky, trout, bass, etc.), gobble up the shiny utensil makes a good story, but no one knows for sure whether it's true or not. It sounds like it's true so it's a good story.

Actually who cares if it's true—the fact is that spoons in their many sizes and shapes have been one of the best fish catching lures for a long, long time and today, despite advances in all kinds of high tech fishing tackle, these venerable old lures still keep on catching fish.

One of the granddads of modern spoons is the Tony Accetta line. Accetta was a good fisherman in his own right and developed an extensive

line of spoon lures to suit the needs of a wide population of recreational and commercial handline fishermen. He did this over 40 years ago and his original designs are so good they have changed little over the decades since they were first introduced.

George Agnew took over the manufacture of Tony Accetta lures about 10 years ago and has kept the best of the originals and expanded the line with careful thought and testing of new products. Today the Accetta lure line includes soft plastic imitation ballyhoo and strip baits, skirted lures for tunas and billfish, metal squids for surfmen, casting spoons for freshwater anglers and, of course, the traditional, and very famous, Pet spoons.

I've used several sizes of the Pet series for a number of game fish and have come to rely on their proven ability to take fish. The size 15 or 16 are great for small blues, bonito and false albacore. the larger 17 and 18 sizes are excellent for bigger blues and the 19 is perfect for striped bass, schoolie bluefins and for southern species like wahoo.

The basic spoons are chromed over brass with a slightly flared head taper at the front end of the spoon. The bodies are stamped, but polished so there are no rough edges and the finish is so thick that saltwater corrosion is improbable unless the spoons are left to rust in a bucket of salty water for a week or two.

Hooks are Mustad O'Shaughnessy style, cadmium plated for long life and durability with shank thickness from X to XXX strong assuring a beefy hook that will stand up to repeated strikes. I have several Pet spoons that are over 6 years old that have caught dozens upon dozens of blues and they are still catching bluefish each spring and summer.

Spoon hooks are secured with a stainless steel screw on the smaller size spoons and with a combination screw and nut on the larger version. Should the hook become damaged or rusted, it can be replaced with a screwdriver and a trip to the local tackle shop to get a new hook.

Important to long life and a free swinging action is the split ring at the front of the spoon body. I've had spoons that were used day after day trolling for striped bass that literally wore through the hole and finally broke off at the snap swivel. That can't happen with an Accetta since the split ring takes up the direct wear of the snap and allows the spoon to work properly for maximum action.

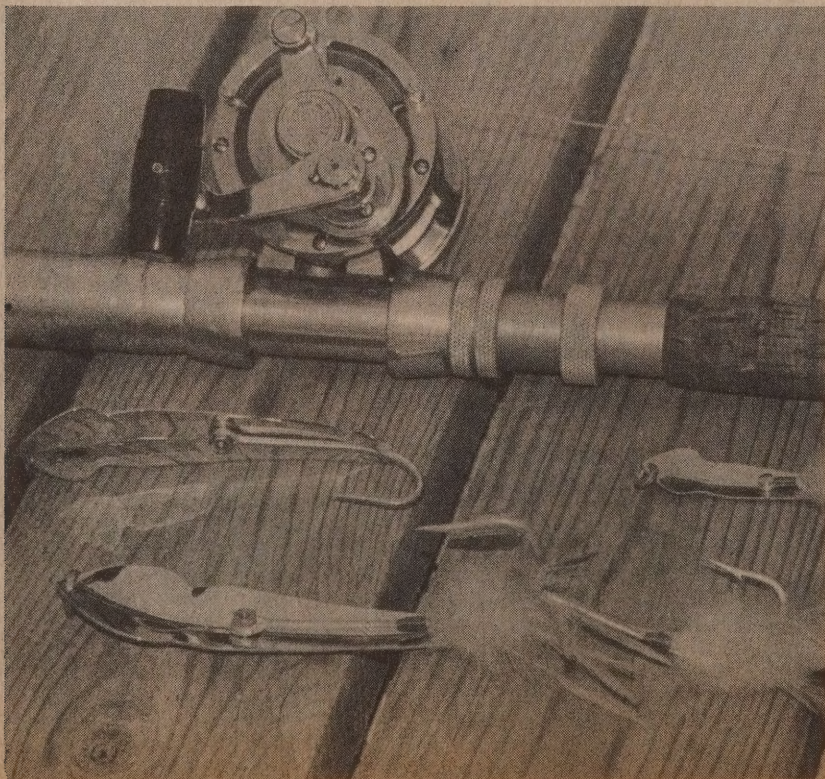
The Pet series comes in several variations to suit many fishing needs. Colored reflecto prism tape is one of my favorite variations, especially the red for bluefish. The tape is applied in the same silhouette as the spoon body shape and reflects colored light as well as the natural silver flash of the spoon. The colors include red, blue, green and rainbow prism.

George Agnew also adds feathers to the spoons and I've found the yellow or white feathers to be deadly on bonito and small tuna. On the larger sized spoons Agnew also adds a taller, or stinger hook, that helps catch short striking game fish like striped bass. This tail hooked spoon was especially popular in Chesapeake Bay and Cape May for many years and now works very well when trolling deep with downriggers.

Like all lures, fishermen modify the Accetta Pet spoons to suit the individual's preference. While it slows down the action of the spoon, adding a strip of pork rind can make a better trolling lure, especially for blues and small tuna where higher trolling speeds might cause the spoon to spin without the softening action of the rind.

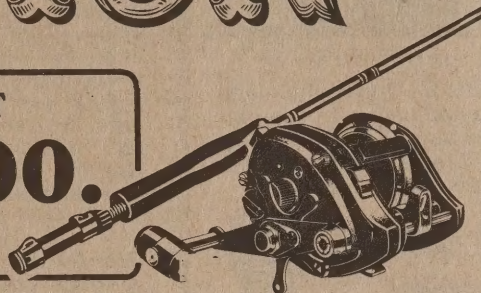
Tuna anglers add a lead weight wired directly to the head of the spoon to make the lure dig deeper and work with a tantalizing darting action trolled in the wake off a flat line.

For a complete rundown of the Tony Accetta Pet Spoons, write to: Tony Accetta Lures, Attn: George Agnew, 932 Avenue E, Riviera Beach, FL 33404; (305) 844-3441.



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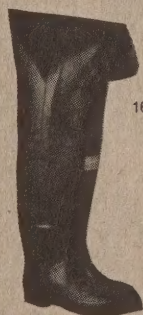
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The Tackle Doctor

by Ken Freel

Dear Doc,

I am an avid fisherman who fishes for all species. I consider myself fairly knowledgeable, but this summer I ran into some confusion with tuna at the docks that looked like yellowfin. The captain was telling us that these fish were not yellowfin but Allison tuna. Can you please differentiate these tuna for me? Are there certain spots or special ways to catch an Allison tuna? Thank you, *Donnie McDonwald*.

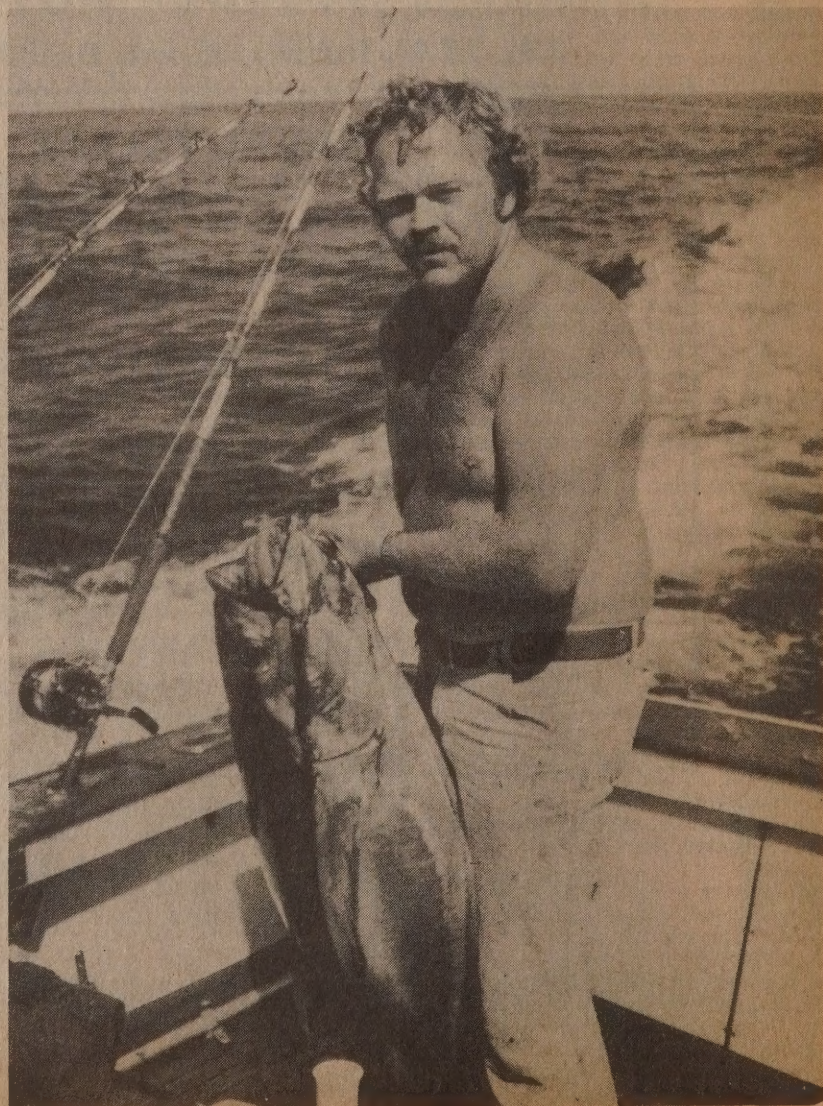
Dear Donnie,

Allison and yellowfin tuna are actually the same fish, but with different names. Individuals with exceptionally long anal and second dorsal fins are

often referred to as Allison tuna. However, those fish with these longer fins are just variations of the same species. It was once thought that these were actually two different species but biologists have now determined that they are the same fish.

The yellowfin tuna is of the mackerel family and is difficult to distinguish from other closely related species such as the blackfin and big-eye. The most obvious way is to look at the pectoral fins and the finlets.

The pectoral fins of a yellowfin is more than 80 percent of the head length. The pectorals, when folded against the body, end just below the



second dorsal. Also, the finlets behind the second dorsal and anal fins are yellow with black margins with no white margin on the tail. The yellowfin is the most brightly colored of all the tunas with a bright yellow color found in most of the fins.

Another less obvious way to differentiate a yellowfin from a bigeye is to count the gillrakers. Yellowfin have 25 to 34 gillrakers but the bigeye has 23 to 31 gillrakers. You can see that because of the overlap this is not always accurate.

A third way to tell what kind of fish you have is to check the liver. Yellowfin or Allison tuna have a smooth liver. On the other hand, bigeye tuna have striations or bands on the ventral surface of the liver. This is a definite way to identify whether the fish is a yellowfin or not.

Yellowfin tuna range in all of the tropical and subtropical waters of the world. In the northeastern states they range as far north as New Jersey in those offshore areas where the Gulf Stream makes its presence felt. Most fish, but not all, are caught far offshore at the canyons.

These tuna like clear, clean, warm water. Sometimes pockets of this type of water will move inshore and the tuna will follow. It's then that the inshore fishermen can have a bonanza with these fish.

Chunking has become the most popular way of catching these fish. It involves anchoring up and throwing bits of butterfish or other bait over the side at intervals. Tuna will often come up into the slick that is formed and begin feeding on the bait. The fishermen, therefore, are sure to have whole butterfish rigged onto a size 5/0 to 8/0 short shank tuna style hook. This size hook can be hidden well inside a butterfish.

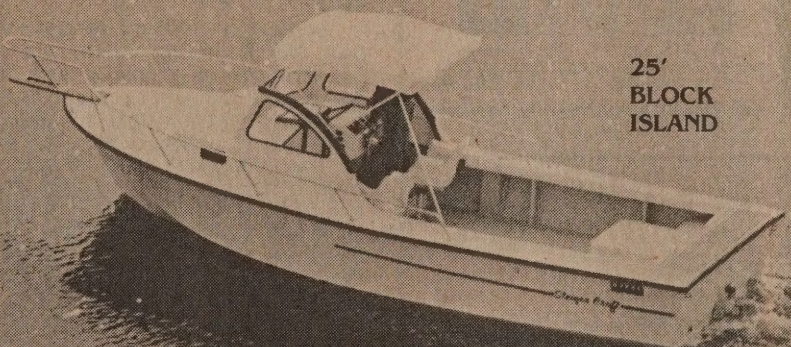
One bad aspect of chunking is that it has led to a great deal of wasted tuna as some fishermen are just concerned with total numbers caught. If you get into tuna fishing, or any kind of fishing, take only what you can really use, release the rest.

Stand-up tackle has become very popular along the Northeastern Coast and many tuna fishermen use a 20 to 50 pound class stand-up rod to take yellowfins. Combine the rod with a Penn 30 or 50 International, the 6/0 Senator series, a Daiwa 600H or a Shimano TTS 30 or 50 and you'll be able to do battle with these tough gamesters.

It is too late to get in on the yellowfin action this year. However, if you are serious about trying for these locomotives of the deep, then you should send for the new book by Tim Coleman entitled *Offshore Fishing*. This book is 96 pages with plenty of illustrations including chapters on everything from Stand-Up Tuna Rods to Rigging a Butterfish. To order send \$5 plus 75 cents for postage and handling to: Fisherman Magazine Book Orders, 2 Denison Avenue, Mystic, CT 06355. Connecticut residents add 7.5 percent sales tax.

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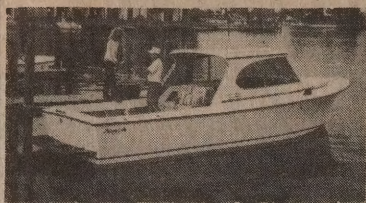
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Dock Lines

by Eric Burnley

Dear Eric,

I am an owner of a 1973 Mako. Recently I have installed two batteries in the rear of the boat but due to the low transom I must find another spot for the batteries.

Could you help me as to other spots for these batteries. I was thinking under the console, but due to the gas tank being there I didn't think it would be safe.

Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Broc Fisher.

Dear Broc,

You should install the batteries as close to the motor as possible. Sitting them in the splashwell is not good, as you discovered, but bringing them inside the boat and putting them under the gunnel or inside the storage boxes on either side of the boat will work.

I don't know what model Mako you own, but if storage boxes are not available you may have to do a little cutting and glassing to create a place for the batteries. If this sounds like too much work or expense you may put the batteries, in a battery case, on either side of the deck at the stern and hold them in place with brackets or strong rubber shock cords. If you use the rubber cords keep an eye on them as sun and saltwater will cause them to deteriorate.

You can check with the local Mako

dealers for suggestions. If the dealer has been around for awhile he has probably seen other boats like yours with dual battery installations. He can give you exact instructions on how to set up your boat and may have the materials you will require.

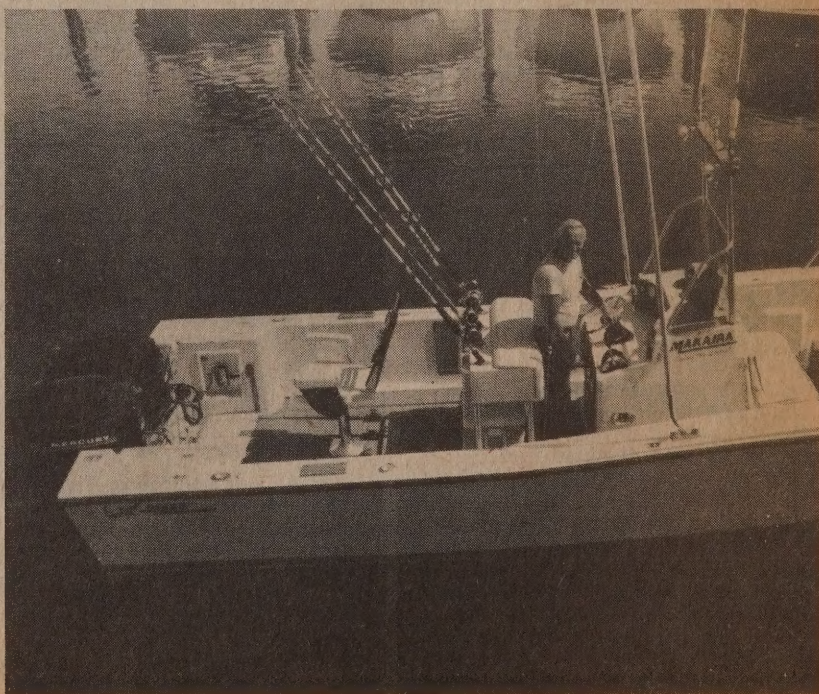
Dear Eric,

I've got an old 1968 I/O that has been giving me trouble, what anyone should expect from an old engine and outdrive. I've talked to a mechanic about having the boat repowered, but the price is so high I hesitate to put that much money into an old boat.

Not only that, but I'm beginning to wonder if I like I/Os. I like that additional space in the boat an outboard gives you, the greater ease of maintenance and an outboard's better performance.

Can an I/O be safely converted to outboard transom bracket powering? Does the conversion throw off the balance of the boat? How much does it cost to prepare an I/O hull for such a conversion? Or should I just forget the whole thing and either buy another boat or expect to spend a month or so every summer out of the water for repairs and a search for old parts?

The boat is a 1968 Bertram Bahia Mar and I love her. She's a great sea boat and I've given her a lot of per-



sonal touches. My wife says I'd just screw up the beautiful lines of the boat if I hang an outboard transom on the back of her. What do you think?
Bill Downs.

* * *

Dear Bill,

I can sympathize with your problem. I, too have a beautiful old boat, a 1966 Bertam Moppie, and the problem of repowering has been on my mind as well.

You have two choices, neither of which will be inexpensive. You can repower with an I/O or you can mount an outboard motor on a bracket. The I/O will maintain the boat's original lines while the outboard will give you certain advantages such as additional space inside the boat if you do away with the engine box.

You don't mention the size or the manufacturer of your present I/O, but my guess is the exact model is no longer in production. This will not be a serious problem as a similar model will be available for replacement of your engine.

The job of replacing the engine and outdrive is one that should be performed by an experienced mechanic in a well equipped marine repair shop. The new unit probably won't fit on the mounts currently used with your motor, so new mounts will have to be located and the new unit properly aligned.

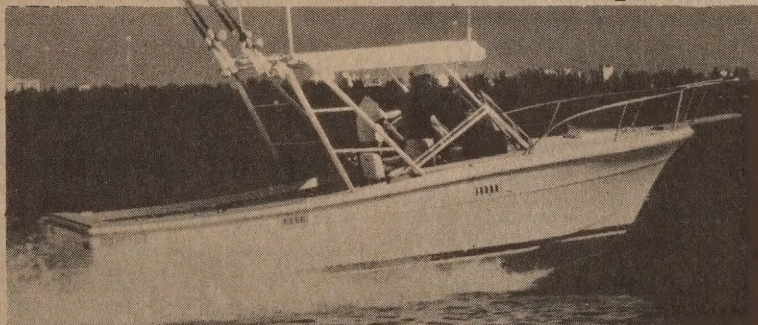
Let me assure you that I/Os are as reliable as any other power plant. The models on the market today have improved cooling and hydraulic systems plus corrosion protection that keeps them safe in saltwater. Most units can be equipped with freshwater cooling and all produce much more power per cubic inch of displacement than the I/Os of 1968. My 1966 Bertram was repowered with a freshwater cooled 165 MerCruiser and I have over 700 hours on the engine without a major problem.

Should you choose to repower with an outboard on a bracket I suggest you contact Tom Henry at Armstrong Marine, Inc., 2845 S.E. Monroe Street, Stuart, FL 33497; (305) 286-7204. I spoke at length with Mr. Henry during the IMTEC Show in Chicago about mounting outboards on brackets to replace I/Os in older boats. Armstrong Marine manufactures a complete line of outboard brackets and they have detailed information on using their products in a variety of situations. Once again, this is not a job for the shade-tree mechanic. Mr. Henry should be able to recommend a boatyard that has experience installing their brackets.

The last option is to chuck away the old Bertram and buy a new boat. I believe you will find replacing the boat a good deal more expensive than replacing the motor. From your letter I get the impression that you are quite happy with your present hull and only have a problem with the motor. I believe a new power plant will be the most satisfactory solution to your dilemma.

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DUPONT AND THE 106 DUMP SITE

by Len Belcaro

Editor's Note: This story reveals the thoughts of Len Belcaro, President of the Thousand Fathom Club. The Fisherman Magazine feels that this is an important issue and that this story reflects the growing concern about all ocean dumping within the fishing community and with the general public.

This past summer along the Jersey Coast was a disaster, but one that has been going for years unnoticed. DuPont is not to blame for what occurred along the shore this past summer, but yes, this company, known for its past concern for the environment, is dumping miscellaneous acid iron chlorides at the 106 site. They are dumping it there because it is the cheapest way to dispose of it: pure and simple.

Acid chlorides are safe, until you replace the free hydrogen ion with a metal. That's what DuPont's permits show is the case. Cadmium, lead, zinc are all metals that do not breakdown.

There's the theory that the ocean is big enough to handle anything thrown into it. Therefore even potentially dangerous substances will be reduced to "background" levels. That is not the case with PCBs in bluefish and stripers. These dangerous elements just collected in the food chain until serious health dangers became apparent in a valuable food resource. Will these companies be telling us that they made a miscalculation as to the grave consequences of ocean dumping 10 years from now?

The two young children who were seriously injured by a large piece of wood is the result of the burning of wood on barges 17 miles off of Manasquan. The hypodermic needles and hospital wastes are the result of the lack of enforcement at the government level. None of this material should have been on a barge to begin with. It is against the law.

There are other serious problems with the metal filled dredge spoils site six miles off of Sea Bright and the disposal of municipal sludge.

The bottom line is to get all of this ocean dumping to stop as quickly as possible. DuPont has had enough time to find a safe alternative. Why should one company have the privilege of disposing of their wastes in the open ocean while other companies have stopped?

Letters are better than petitions. Write to your local representatives and let them know how you feel. Vote

for only those representatives who will get action and remove from office those who do not. Here is the address of the Director of the Environmental Protection Agency in charge of reinstating ocean dumping permits. Write him and demand a reply. And write to DuPont's contact listed below. Let them know how you feel. It's time to get some swift action in an effort to stop all ocean dumping. The 106 site is the first big step in that direction.

Environmental Protection Agency,

Coastal anglers refuse to believe Dupont's "apple pie, baseball and mom" routine.

Region 2, 26 Federal Plaza, New York, NY 10278, Att: Christopher Daggett.

Dr. R.E. Heckert, E.I. duPont de Nemours & Co., 1007 Market St., Wilmington, DE 19898.

Persons interested in joining or finding out about the Thousand Fathom Club should contact the following: Charles Forchelli, Long Island Chapter, (718) 278-7117; Dee Schurig, North Jersey Chapter, (201) 297-4847; Arthur Ponzio, South Jersey Chapter, (609) 344-8194; and Joe Joachomowski, Indian River Chapter—now forming, (302) 539-7016.

I have listened to the DuPont public affairs specialists and paid "experts" talk of their company and its ocean dumping practices on numerous occasions. As they cite Oreo cookie fillings, bald eagles and American history, the only thing missing is Kate Smith singing "God Bless America" in the background.

The actual product that the DuPont Corporation dumps into the ocean, is referred to by company personnel by the innocuous sounding title of

"wastewater." This "wastewater" is the by-product of their titanium dioxide production. Titanium dioxide is basically a white pigment used to color Oreo cookie fillings, toothpaste and paints. The waste is generated at the company facility at Edgemoor, Delaware and hauled, via barge, to the 106 Dumpsite off the continental shelf.

The company is requesting their third, three-year extension to dump 405,000 wet tons of industrial wastes at the 106. This brings their ocean dumping operations to nearly 10 years after the original 1981 deadline. The DuPont Corporation is the only industrial dumper left at the 106 dumpsite from the 100 dumpers that used the site prior to 1981.

Company representatives state their "wastewater" by-product is a salt compound that mixes readily with ocean water. "We dump nothing toxic in the ocean," "No harmful effects on marine life," "Ocean water returns to ambient levels several hours after dispersal," "Ocean disposal of 'wastewater' is the most environmentally sound method of disposing of this waste product."

The Environmental Protection Agency's ocean dumping permit #II-DE-138 paints a completely different picture of the "wastewater" than DuPont is trying to represent. Nowhere do the words "wastewater" appear in this permit. The correct name of the by-products the DuPont Corporation dumps in the ocean is acidic iron chloride waste and miscellaneous chlorides.

Listing the numerous chemicals that make up these waste products on page 7 of the permit, we find the chemical composition and acidic levels are not as harmless as the company leads us to believe. Topping the list of the "big four" chemicals in their waste products is cadmium. The amount of this highly toxic, suspected carcinogen, is 0.5 milligrams per kilogram of acidic chloride waste and chlorides. Requesting to dump 405,000 wet tons of this waste annually, the actual amount of the chemical cadmium requesting to be dumped into our ocean over the next three year permit life is nearly 1000 pounds.

The next chemical on the list is mercury. They are requesting to ocean dispose of 322 pounds, of this extremely toxic chemical. Arsenic is also on the list with 308 pounds of

this chemical scheduled to be dumped during the three year period. A large quantity of lead is contained in their waste products and scheduled to be ocean disposed. At 400 milligrams per kilogram, the actual amount requesting to be dumped is 40.32 tons. The list continues with other chemicals such as chromium, copper, iron, nickel, titanium, vanadium and zinc.

The toxicity hazard rating of the "big four" chemicals according to N. Irving Sax, author of *Dangerous Properties of Industrial Materials*, is a 3. The rating of 3 constitutes high toxicity and may cause death or permanent injury after very short exposure to small quantities.

DuPont representatives have stated the actual dumping operation is completed over a large area to aid in the dispersion of the waste product. The DuPont ocean dumping permit states 3700 gallon discharge is allowed per minute, no more than 3700 gallons of waste can be dispersed in a one square mile area. With an extremely acidic pH factor of .1 (sea water has a .8 pH factor rating), it is apparent anything under the barge at the time the gates open up, will be fried.

Many of us who have been offshore in the company of dolphins are aware the mammals will swim for miles to reach a vessel so they can play in the boat's wake and pressure wave. God help any fish, dolphin, plankton or bait that are under the DuPont barge when the gates open up and 3700 gallons per minute of extremely caustic solution is dumped out.

The 'Big Four' chemicals that the DuPont Corporation dumps in our oceans do not "go away" after dumping; they will build in the plankton if ingested. If bait ingests the plankton, they will build in the bait and be transferred to the fish that eat the bait. It can then be passed into a human body through the fish we eat and again accumulate. Once reaching unsafe levels in a human, the host can suffer permanent damage or death.

Listening to the DuPont pitch citing historic buildings on company grounds, bald eagles and Oreo cookies brings to mind an old adage stated on April 7, 1775 by a famous American, Samuel Johnson, "Patriotism is the last resort of a scoundrel."

The Thousand Fathom Club is advocating a boycott of all DuPont fishing and boating products until the corporation ceases its ocean dumping practices. DuPont must be brought to the realization that the "cheaper alternative" of ocean dumping is no longer the cheaper alternative. We are tired of big industry and municipal sewage sludge agencies playing their deadly game of Russian roulette with our food chain and our health. DuPont and the other agencies that are making a cesspool out of our ocean must listen to the public outcry and take heed, our voice will grow louder.



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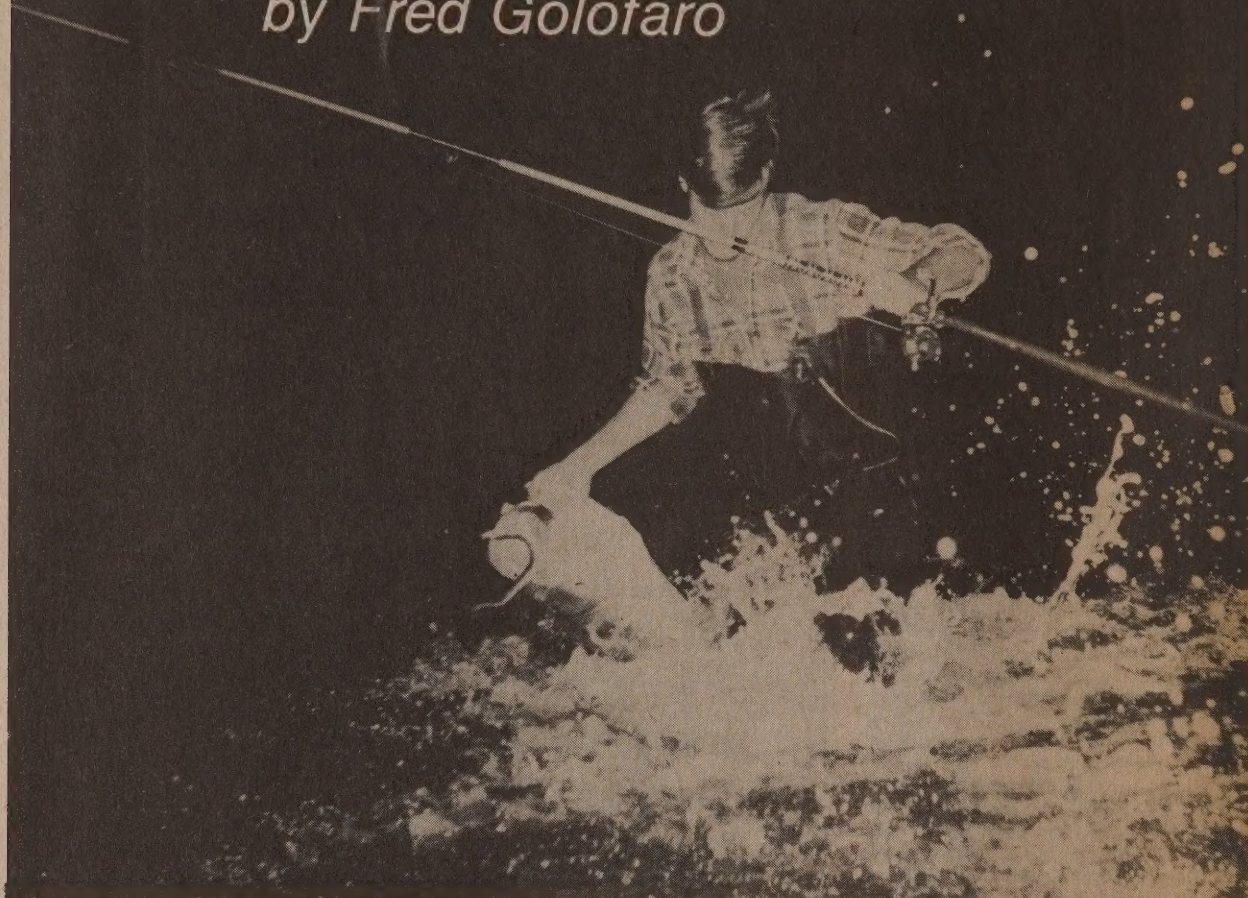


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SNAKES AND SUDS

by Fred Golofaro



Fishing live eels in the surf provides none of the thrills often associated with topwater plugs, nor the same satisfaction that accompanies catching game fish on artificials. What they do, is provide the best shot at catching big stripers from shore! It's a pretty safe bet that no one lure or bait has accounted for more big bass along the striper coast than the eel.

All of this might seem a little strange coming from a devout plugman but the fact of the matter is that I find slinging eels very much akin to working a slow moving plug. There are many ways to present live eels from the beach although most casters in our area rely on the standard fish-finder rig and anchor the eel to the bottom with several ounces of lead. This is baitfishing, pure and simple, and it would take an awful lot of arm twisting for me to drown a snake in this fashion.

Casting unweighted live eels is more my cup of tea and a method that has produced many big stripers for me down through the years. Certain areas or conditions might require the addition of a rubber core sinker or drail.

The technique of tossing unweight-

ed eels into the suds has frequently been dubbed "Cape Style," a reference to the popularity of the method on Cape Cod beaches during the big bass blitzes of the seventies. For many surfmen, particularly those who trekked north to the Cape from Long Island and Jersey, this was their first introduction to casting unweighted live eels.

In reality, unweighted eels have been a popular choice of surfmen on our beaches for years. Decades ago, early jetty jocks were already practicing the technique with good success. Even prior to all the live eel hubbub on the Cape, a small group of us were beating a steady tattoo on cow bass in our own backyard. In fact, one memorable two week stretch of eel slinging produced more than 30 stripers over 25 pounds for me.

One of the nicest features of eels is that they are hardy souls as live baits go. They are also readily available at many tackle shops. I have been storing my eels in one of those plastic live bait buckets (many fluke fishermen use them to store their killies) with the spring-loaded lids for years and strongly suggest you purchase one if you plan on doing any amount

of eeling. They will easily hold one to two dozen bait eels and the drain holes make it easy to give them intermittent dunkings over the course of a night's fishing. Don't forget to drain the remaining water (below the drain hole level) or you'll wind up drowning the critters. I like to drill a quarter inch hole in the bottom of the container to ensure that all the water drains free.

If you're going to be keeping the eels for more than a night's fishing, they can be rejuvenated with occasional dunkings from the garden hose. In warmer weather, dropping a few ice cubes into the bucket will help extend their life expectancy. That quarter inch hole in the bottom will drain the water from the melting cubes.

If you plan on making live eels a regular part of your repertoire, consider investing in some sort of tank and aerator system for the backyard. Fish tank systems work well as do the heavy plastic container manufactured by Bunker Caddy (see Classified Section). Make sure the tank has a secure lid to keep in the eels and keep out the coons and cats. You'll also need an oversize fish net

(available in pet shops) to scoop out your bait supply. I make it a habit of keeping a night's supply of eels in my plastic bait car which I drop right into the tank. It saves you fishing around for eels at two in the morning when you're rushing to catch a tide.

Eels have a well deserved reputation for being tough to handle thanks to their slime-coated bodies. I've found that nothing works better than a "cheap" piece of burlap. The burlap and a coating of sand will make ever the slimiest snake controllable.

Terminal tackle for this fishing could not be simpler. The hook I prefer for this fishing is a 6/0 short shank bronzed tuna style (this hook will quickly rust out of fish released by clipping your leader) available at most any tackle shop. I prefer to use a 36 inch length of 30 to 40 pound mono leader between the hook and my running line to offset the abrasive mouths of big stripers. It's also added protection against rocks and gill plates. There are times, particularly on bright nights with clear water, that you should consider tying direct to 15 or 20 pound line. Just remember to retie after each fish. Also, don't overlook the addition of a feather dropper ahead of your eel. There are nights when those big fish will be more receptive to a small bait.

When fishing a live eel, your first indication of a "pick-up" will likely be a series of 2 or 3 distinct bumps or taps. While there are many schools of thought on when to set the hook with an eel, the truth of the matter is that you eventually develop an instinct as to when the time is right. Your hook-up ratio should be pretty good if you follow just a couple of basic approaches.

The first and easiest method is, at the first indication of a pick-up, drop your rod tip to the water, reach towards the fish, and if possible take one or two steps toward the fish. When the slack you've provided comes tight, set the hook—hard.

If you're fishing conventional gear or a reel like the Shimano Baitrunner, you might opt to give the fish more time by free-spooling for a count of from 5 to 10 seconds. The key to a good hook-up here is that the fish should be moving off at a good rate when you strike.

Live eeling will, of course, work best under quiet, slow and calm water conditions. Jetty pockets and tide chances around the inlets are prime scenarios. If you're working deep water and swift currents, add a rubber core sinker that will permit a natural drift yet get the eel down deep to where most big bass are feeding in these areas. I carry a selection from 1/4 ounce on up to 2 ounces and only use them when absolutely necessary.

Live eeling may not offer the satisfaction of plugging, but there is a certain exhilaration when that pick-up finally comes in the wee hours of the morning—and particularly when that pick-up comes in the form of a forty plus pound striper.

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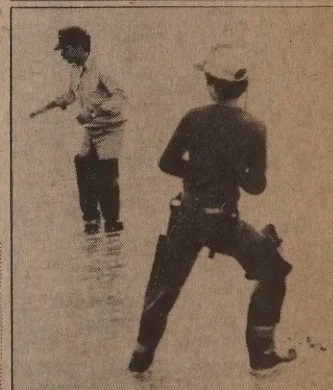
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SANDY BLUES

by Gerald Hahn

Indeed, surf fishing for blues in the fall is one of the greatest fishing thrills of the year. From late-September to mid-November, easterly winds drive baitfish to the south shore beaches and bluefish, eager to fill their bellies before migrating to warmer waters, go wild inshore. Not all of the blues are 3 pound cocktails, either; there are times when teen-sized specimens and brutes over 20 pounds come within the surfcaster's range.

The fall run often gets under way in September, under a golden sun that has warmed the ocean to a peak, and at this time fishermen are often seen in bathing trunks. By October, however, waders are mandatory. And since bluefish are not always inclined to herd bait within a flycaster's reach, anglers come equipped with a 10 to 12 foot surf rod and a large surf spinning reel, such as the Penn 750. Although most fishermen spool their reels with 20 pound test, there are people who go as light as 10 pound test. Since the average lure one uses weighs about 2

ounces, however, they add an 18 inch leader of 15 pound test monofilament to the end of the running line. A dark barrel swivel makes the connection, and a duo-lock snap at the bottom of the leader facilitates changing lures. Many fishermen favor a black wire leader over the plastic leader for extra security against the blue's sharp teeth. Finally, some people prefer a shocker of 15 pound test fishing line, which extends from the lure to about six revolutions of the reel handle. This line is tied to the running line with a blood knot.

Since blues feed primarily on such baitfish as sand eels, spearing and young herring, most fishermen "match the hatch" with metal lures. Years ago, surf fishermen were restricted to metal lures made of block tin, which took on a soft lustre when rubbed in the sand. Today, however, block tin has given way to metals with a brighter chrome or nickel plated finish. Beneath the finish, the lure may be stainless steel, brass, lead or a metal alloy. Despite what old-timers

say, these lures are more effective. The most popular ones are the Hopkins, Kastmaster and Krocodile "squids" or spoons. Included in this group are various diamond jigs and flatter variants, such as the J-8 by Diamond Feather. The hooks on all these lures are often adorned with white bucktail or a surgical tube in green, red or white. Some of these lures come with a treble hook, however, which should be replaced with a single hook, such as a 4/0 to 6/0 O'Shaughnessy on a barrel swivel. Stainless steel split rings connect the hook and the lure to the swivel. Bluefish have a hard time prying themselves free from a single hook that swivels. A single hook, moreover, is easier to extract from the gaping jaws of a blue. Metal not only resembles the shape and silvery color of various baitfish, but it also casts far, even in a strong headwind. All of these lures should be retrieved rapidly, with continual twitches of the rod tip.

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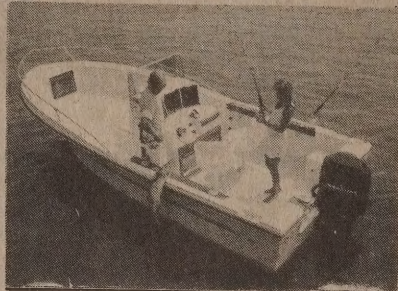
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In recent years, another surface lure, the Needlefish, has gained in popularity along the south shore beaches. This lure is not a popper; however, it is a long, slender plug that resembles a sand eel. Moreover, in contrast to the rod twitching that often accompanies a metal lure or a popper, the Needlefish is retrieved without any action. It is also retrieved slowly.

A dropper lure 18 inches above any of the lures mentioned spices the offering. The dropper is simply a 4/0 O'Shaughnessy hook adorned with bucktail. It may also be adorned with a split-tail surgical tube or with synthetic hair or feathers. The dropper lure is snelled to an 8 inch leader of 50 pound test and secured to the barrel swivel at the top of the wire or plastic leader. The combination of two lures resembles a small baitfish scurrying away from a larger baitfish. Blues like to pounce on the small one.

Finally, when everything else fails, some fishermen will break out the old standby, a leadhead bucktail jig in white or yellow and tipped with pork rind. The lure casts far and digs deep, and when retrieved with long up-and-down sweeps of the rod, the hairs expand and "breathe." For bottom bouncing, few lures are more effective than a leadhead jig.

Although fall bluefish can raid a beach—any beach—at any time of the day, most of them are taken at dawn and dusk. In the daytime, surfcasters generally concentrate their efforts around tidal changes. Sometimes the bluefish rampage lasts only a half-hour; other times it goes on for several days.

Surfcaster without a beach vehicle are often at a loss finding a productive spot to fish. After Labor Day, however, many beaches with parking close by become available. Particularly rewarding beaches are those

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forming points close to the parallel bar. Two come to mind: White Sands Beach in Napeague and the Ponquogue Pavilion west of Shinnecock Inlet. At both places, white water crashes over the bar, even on a calm day. Baitfish get caught in the swirling water, and blues herd them toward the beach. So close, in fact, that I have often taken blues only 30 feet away at Ponquogue.

Other productive spots on the south shore are at the inlets, such as Shinnecock, Moriches, Democrat Point and Jones. Although you may have to hike a mile or so to reach some of them, you can fish along the way. Some people favor the rocks at the jetties here, while others prefer the beach nearby.

In the fall, of course, even a featureless beach may produce. Last fall, a friend of mine who has a house in the Hamptons took a last minute stroll along Maidstone Beach in early November. Suddenly he saw a school of blues tearing through the surface only 50 feet away. He raced back to his house, grabbed his rod and caught a dozen blues in less than an hour. The smallest one weighed 8 pounds!

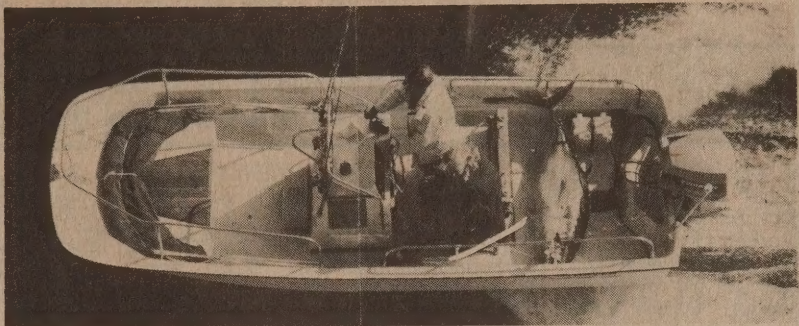
Autumn bluefishing is not always this productive, however. Many times, the fish tear up the water beyond the surfcaster's reach. Other times, the fishing conditions seem ideal, but there is no sign of fish. When blues are scarce, some anglers revert to bait, such as bunker or mackerel cut into chunks or strips. Live or dead eels also make excellent baits. And so do fish fry, such as young flounder or blackfish or butterfish. A 6/0 to 8/0 brown Beak hook on a brown, single-strand wire leader about 6 inches long is used for this kind of fishing. A dark barrel swivel connects the wire to the running line. A 5 ounce pyramid sinker is then secured to a 12 inch length of 20 pound test monofilament, by means of an end loop. The other end of the leader is tied to the swivel with an improved clinch knot and the rig is complete. The bait is impaled on the hook and a long cast is made, preferably with a stout 20 pound class outfit. Since this kind of fishing is generally slow, most anglers set the drag light and spike the rod. A long sand spike elevates the rod and keeps the line away from the breakers.

There is nothing like a bluefish striking your lure or bait from the surf. The long rod bends over sharply as blue and breakers join forces against it. Yet despite the strain that bluefish put on tackle, the fish are easily brought to shore. For there are few obstructions on the ocean bottom and you can always wait for an incoming wave to assist you. Nonetheless, when blues run large, it pays to have a gaff handy.

If you have had your fill of catching blues from party boats or charters or private vessels, head for a south shore beach in the fall. I know one guy, who, after a good flurry of blues, sold his boat.

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RUMRUNNER REVISITED

by Daniel Berg

A noted diver unveils some of the mysteries surrounding the Lizzie D.

It was early on a Sunday morning, about 6AM, when Steve Jonassen, Rick Schwarz, Bill Campbell and my brother Dennis arrived at the dock. We quickly loaded and stored our dive gear aboard my 24 foot Grady White named "Wreck Valley." Within 15 minutes we were off and on our way to dive the prohibition rumrunner named Lizzie D. Although we had already done numerous dives on this wreck commonly known as the Rumrunner, most of our time had been spent photographing, spear fishing, or just exploring. Today we had other plans.

The Lizzie D was originally a tug boat weighing 122 gross tons. She was 84 feet long and 15 years old when she sank on October 19, 1922. She now rests in 80 feet of water, 8 miles southeast of Atlantic Beach inlet, off Long Island's south shore.

According to the original owner's casualty report, which I acquired a

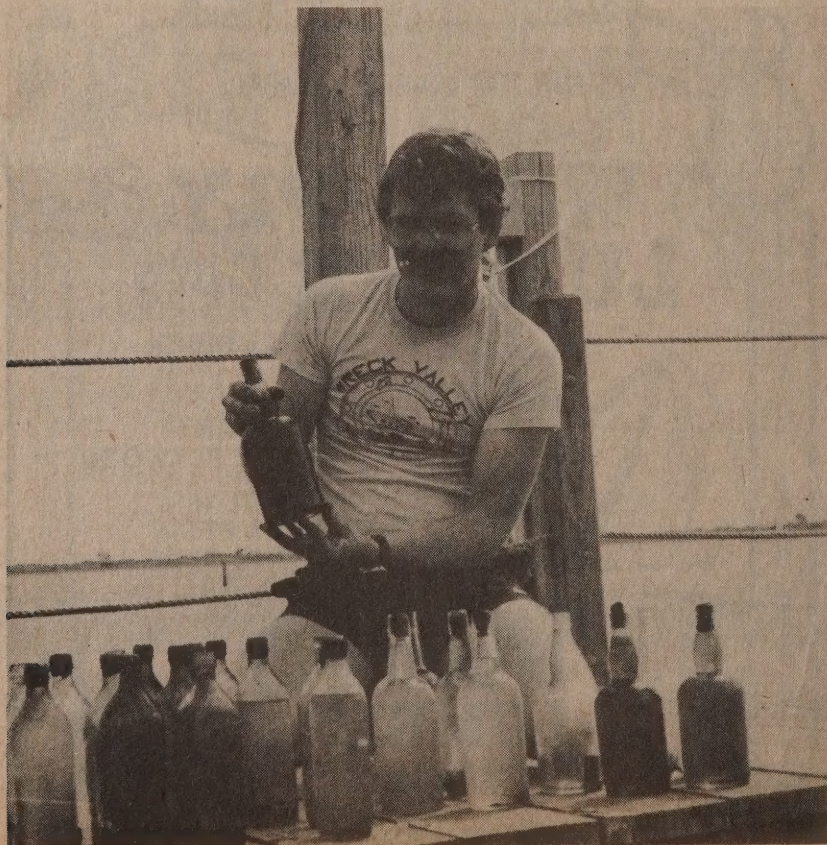
copy of from the National Archives, the Lizzie D was on a "cruise of the narrows," carrying no cargo, but with eight crew members on board when she went down. The Lizzie D was reported sunk due to unknown reasons. All of her crew were lost.

In July of 1977 Captain John Larsen located the wreck for the first time. They discovered that this was not just a sunken tug boat, but a prohibition rumrunner. These divers recovered the ship's brass bell which identified the wreck. Also recovered were port-holes, and crates full of prohibition bottles, some still containing whiskey. It was the hope of finding more of this cargo that brought our group back to the site.

The week before Captain Steve Bielenda who runs the charter boat Wahoo out of Captree boat basin, Long Island, New York informed me that he had recovered three unbroken bottles from the wreck. This was of

great interest and amazed me, because most local divers considered the small tug boat wreck to be picked clean years ago. In all the dives that I had previously done I only observed the mounds of broken glass that covered much of the rusting hulk's interior, but in the years that I've known Captain Bielenda he had never steered me wrong. After probing a little further he told me that the bottles were buried in the forward hold just ahead of the boiler. As soon as I hung up the phone I called four of my diving buddies. They expressed immediate interest and we made plans to dive the wreck that Sunday.

It was about 7:30AM when Bill tossed the grappling hook over the side of the boat. He watched it race toward the ocean's bottom and reported that the visibility looked pretty good. We were lucky today that the seas were flat, and the Wreck Valley's twin 140 hp Johnson engines enabled her to cruise at close to 35 MPH for the ride out. The hook grabbed into the wreck within minutes. Steve and I donned our dry suits and slipped into our doubles. Rick raised our dive flag, and threw a current line over the stern. I rolled over the side first and without surfacing I slowly glided down to about 20 feet, grabbed the anchor line and waited for Steve to join me. Once together, we descended, letting the anchor line lead us to the wreck. At about 50 feet down we could just make out the faint outline of the tug resting upright on a sandy bottom. As we got closer and the structure became clearer, we noted that the amount of aquatic life on the wreck had increased from our last visit almost two years ago. There were sea bass, bergalls, and blackfish everywhere, hovering over the wreck like a cloud. When we reached the bottom and looked up, not only could we see our anchor line stretching almost to the surface, but Rick and Bill making their way down the line. Swimming around the stern we stopped to video the Lizzie D's four-bladed steel propeller. Two small lobsters had made their home under a piece of steel lying next to the big prop. Looking up from this wash-out which is just about 81 feet deep, we could see into the wreck through large holes, where steel plates had deteriorated and dropped free. Ascending as we swam forward along the starboard side we soon



Author with Prohibition whiskey bottles recovered from Lizzie D.

found ourselves on deck. Since the Lizzie D's entire upper structure is not present, apparently ripped off during her sinking, the wreck resembles a giant rowboat with her main deck having many openings plus some very distinctive features, like a huge boiler. Navigation is relatively easy. Now, just ahead of the boiler we dropped into the forward hold where Steve took the video camera from me in order to film and dig in the port corridor. As Steve got positioned for filming I planted myself down and slowly started removing some of the large pieces of steel which littered the wreck's interior. With the large debris out of my way, I took out my digging tool, which was a curved piece of steel with a handle made from pipe and started to carefully dig through about two feet of broken glass and mud. Enclosed in total darkness from the shroud of silt I had created, I began to feel around this small pit. I had hit something solid. Removing a crow bar from its mounted position on my tanks, I was able to pry loose what turned out to be a wood beam. This left a small tunnel-like opening just large enough for me to reach my arm into. Now, almost 30 minutes into my dive with my arm inserted to my shoulder in a glass-filled hole, I felt a bottle. It was tightly held in place, and hard to get a good grip of, but it soon came free. Although I couldn't see what I had found I could feel that it was still in

one piece. From the same hole came about eight more bottles. My time was up, so I gently lifted my bulging nylon catch bag and wiggled through the closest deck opening. As I swam back to the anchor line, Steve joined me. He, too, was carrying a full bag of bottles.

Most bottles from this wreck are found empty with the cork inside the bottle. This indicates that the increasing ambient pressure while the tug was sinking compressed the small amount of air found in a full bottle, actually causing the cork to be sucked inward. Out of the three types of bottles carried on the Lizzie-D, Bourbon bottles held their corks the best. This might be because of the shape of the neck, or just the fit of the cork. Whatever the reason it was these Bourbon bottles that we had hoped to find, but any intact bottle would certainly be a nice artifact from the Prohibition era of the twenties.

While doing our safety decompression hang we inspected each other's treasures. To our surprise both bags not only contained unbroken bottles, but also our sought after Bourbon bottles. Four of them still contained booze. We couldn't have hoped for a better prize especially after only doing one dive.

Back on board the Wreck Valley we pressed a pin into the corks of each full bottle. This released the internal pressure, which if left un-purged could have popped the cork, or even

have broken our precious bottles.

After all of us had completed two dives we had retrieved a total of almost 40 bottles. Steve had found and recovered a complete case of square green "Johnny Walker" bottles which were the rarest style found on the wreck. I recovered eight gin bottles, four bourbon bottles still containing Prohibition whiskey, and six Johnny Walker bottles, one of which was still full. I also retrieved a crate with writing on it, although very weathered, it reads, "Bourbon Whiskey, 32 oz. bottles, guaranteed 100 proof, distilled in Atherton, Kentucky." Dennis, Rick and Bill each brought up a nice variety of all three types of bottles. Bill was even lucky enough to find a full Bourbon bottle which still had a lead seal over the cork. This seal also read "Bourbon Whiskey 100 proof." Not a bad catch for a day's diving.

Since that day we have returned to the wreck a few times. Our artifacts have been displayed in local museums, libraries and in the windows of some local dive shops. Some of the bottles and the underwater video taken that day have even appeared on two local cable television shows, but best of all we now know that the Lizzie D lives on, still delivering her cargo of illegal whiskey not to the "Speak-Easies" of the roaring twenties, but to a few lucky sport divers who frequent an area we know as Wreck Valley.



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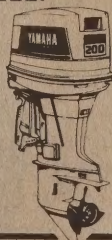
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SOUTH BAY BLACKS

by Tom Schlichter

With the excellent blackfishing available to anglers along virtually the entire length of the north shore of Long Island, it's easy to overlook some of the south shore areas where *Tautoga onitis* is a frequent visitor. One underutilized area where I've done very well in recent years is Great South Bay. This body of water holds a substantial population of blackfish during the height of the spring and fall runs and for south shore anglers, may prove more convenient than north shore waters where parking and launching can sometimes be a hassle. For those who fish this bay on a regular basis, familiarity is an added plus.

For the most part, great South Bay blackfishing is confined to the stretch of water that flows from the mouth of Fire Island Inlet east to Ocean Beach. The bottom here is primarily sandy with little blackfish holding structure. This actually works to the angler's advantage since it severely limits the amount of territory over which the blacks will hold. In fact, this lack of structure actually separates these bottom dwellers into a handful of isolated communities. As opposed to north shore waters where an abund-

ance of mussel beds, rocky points and other structure offer good fishing over a wide area, those looking to cash in on Great South Bay action must really concentrate their efforts on select bottom pieces of suitable blackfish habitat.

Why would a blackfish choose to live in an area such as Great South Bay when the north shore offers so much more cover. Well, I'm sure convenience has something to do with it but probably even more important is the great abundance of blackfish fodder. In addition to hosting a large population of green crabs, the rocks, bridge pilings, docks and wrecks in this area, albeit widely scattered, are covered from top to bottom with bank and blue mussels. Perhaps even more alluring to the blackfish is the astronomical number of calico or sand crabs which thrive on the mostly sandy bottoms, but become easy prey as they are propelled past favored blackfish haunts by strong currents.

Depending on the location you choose to fish, single or double hook bottom rigs can be used. Uncomplicated, these simply call for one or two Virginia style hooks, size #6-#2, tied into the main line 2 to 8 inches above

a 2 to 4 ounce bank sinker. The hooks can be tandem-tied or the leaders shortened to allow them to be placed a leader's length apart, resembling a short high-low rig. If porgies or sea bass happen to be present (always a possibility), a high-low rig with a #2 to #6 beak style hook may actually be a better choice.

The most dependable (and probably best known) blackfish hole inside Great South Bay is Kismet Reef. This man-made structure is marked by a wreck buoy and lies between the old lighthouse and the Fire Island community of Kismet. Accessible only by boat, this is the one blackfish area on the bay where a crowd may form on any given weekend. By 9AM, there may be as many as a dozen boats here and squeezing over the most productive spots can be a little difficult. Thus, it's a good idea to arrive early. Since the bottom is not too rough at this location, a two hook setup can be used most of the time. Green or fiddler crabs are the best bait choices.

Moving to the west, the Fire Island Coast Guard Station docks play host to a solid population of medium and large tog. These docks are accessible to the boat crowd only, as access via



The author with a typical black taken from the north side of Robert Moses State Park.

the Coast Guard Station is not permitted. Because this pair of docks lie perpendicular to the Fire Island Inlet currents, large eddies form on the downtide side of each. I've always had my best luck fishing against the east dock on the first half of the incoming tide. For outgoing water, I pull anchor and move to the west side. Green crabs, quartered or halved, work exceptionally well at this location but calico crabs can be productive, too. Fiddlers are almost worthless as the numerous bergalls which share residence with the blacks will rapidly peck them from your hook. There is plenty of debris alongside each dock and many a bulldog tog will be lost to the bottom after the hook has hit home. Still, quite a few tog will also grace your cooler if you pick the right dock to match the tide. I've pulled several 7 to 8 lb. bulldogs from each side and have lost considerably larger fish to the bottom. Divers working the bottom here have reported seeing tog as large as 15 lbs. Because of the high degree of bottom clutter, use only one hook when working this location.

Still moving west, the next structure where substantial numbers of blackfish are known to reside is tight to the pilings of Robert Moses Bridge. Here I've had my best luck fishing incoming water and tying up to the spans that align directly with the deep end of the western Coast Guard dock. The bridge spans have never produced a full cooler of blackfish for me, but they have on occasion given up some real big fish. Work the beginning and end of the tides here as the middle stages simply push too hard to make the effort worthwhile. Because there is always a chance of picking a few delicious sea bass, I usually opt for a high-low rig when working "the spans." A strip of squid or half a seaworm can be placed on the top hook while the bottom point is dressed with crab. Whole or halved green crabs are the preferred bait here but don't overlook quartered calico crabs in a pinch.

To help retard erosion along the backside of Fire Island Inlet, much of the shore is lined with large boulders and concrete chunks. These present the shorebound angler with an excellent opportunity to tap into tog. The most productive stretch is found directly across from Robert Moses Parking Field #2. You'll have to exercise extreme caution when descending the rocks to the water's edge as they are extremely slippery when wet or covered with moss. At this location, blackfish structure consists mainly of large chunks of concrete heaped together. Mussels and green crabs abound here, drawing blackfish right to the shoreline on overcast days, early in the morning or just before dark. The best fishing usually occurs within 30 feet of shore in water that can range from 6 to 8 feet deep when the tide is full. Falling or low water periods often leave only two or three feet of water over the rocks and thus,

are not really worth fishing. Single hook rigs and a menu of green or calico crabs are standard fare, but I've actually had better luck at this spot fishing whole, shucked cherry-stone clams or conch sliced long and thin. Expect to lose 3 to 5 rigs to the bottom when fishing these rocks—double that number if the fish decide to bite.

Across the inlet and slightly west of the above-mentioned rocks lay a series of small groins referred to by most as the "Oak Beach rock piles." The second groin to the west always seems to be the most productive and smart anglers often catch a combination of flounder and blackfish by working a tandem-tied rig. Use a #8 Chestertown hook baited with a segment of clam or worm, and a Virginia style hook embedded in a quartered green crab. Most of the blackfish that reside on the groins are rather small, a 3 lber. being about tops, but this is an easy location from which to fish, accessible to the shorebound angler and offering plenty of elbow room. On a good day, it's possible to pick up to two dozen fish (blacks and flatties combined) on any rising tide. Hottest action here usually forms around the groin's northwest corner.

In 18 feet of water, just a little more than a good cast southwest of the groin, lies an old barge. Unmarked, the location of this little blackfish haven is tipped off only by a small rip that forms as the current rushes past its sunken hull. The only way to discover its exact whereabouts is to drive your craft slowly west from approximately 200 feet in front of the groin. A chart recorder or depth finder can really help to pinpoint the structure once you get in the general area. This location can hold a tremendous number of 1 to 5 pound fish in addition to occasional bulldogs up to 12 pounds. It is best worked with small, whole, green or calico crabs, but fiddlers can be effective, too.

Of course, there are a few other areas on Great South Bay that will hold blackfish from time to time. Each party boat skipper sailing out of Captree, for instance, has his own series of small local wrecks, and the "Sore Thumb" area each year surprises a few flounder pounders with tog to 10 pounds, but the locations outlined above are the mainstays, year after year. At all the locations noted, fishing is best in late October and early November.

According to Captain Richie Abrams, of the Captree party boat, "Capt. Whittaker," the fishing this fall is already under way with consistent catches of 1 to 3 pound tog and the pool winner usually in the 5 to 10 pound class. By the time you read this article, the fishing should be in prime form. It will only last a few weeks, however, so get out and give it a try while you still have time. One trip may be all that's necessary to convince you to set sail on Great South Bay as soon as the woodland leaves begin to drop.

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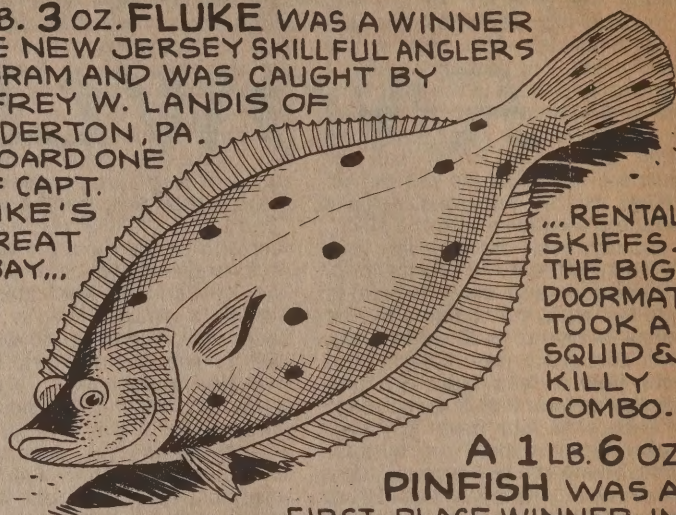
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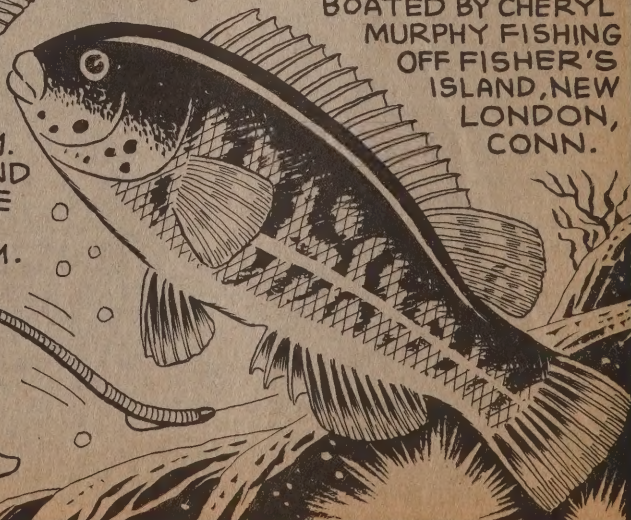
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THE SEARCH FOR KNOWLEDGE



by Matt Ahern

As surely as the needle swings to the pole, just about every week I can expect to receive at least a half dozen inquiries about my early fishing life. These are in addition to the score or more letters I often receive daily, which are as varied on the subject of fishing as one can imagine. (I'm not complaining, you understand, for I sometimes wonder how I would spend much of my day if it weren't for those letters and the many friends I've made through them.)

And in reply to such questions as "How did you learn all you seem to know about fishing?" and "How did you become so knowledgeable on fishing?" I have only this to say. I don't know a damned thing about it! I can't go out there tomorrow and scare up fish if they're biting. I've had my "stinkers," too; often more than somewhat. Why, just last month I was

snapper fishing in Shinnecock Canal and doing poorly. Alongside me stood a cute little moppet who was knocking 'em dead. I watched in awe. But that quickly changed when she had the gall to tell me what I was doing wrong. I fixed her, though. I refused to give her a lift home.

Anyway, fellers, to answer those inquiries on my search for knowledge in my young days, I have decided to redo a similar article I wrote some nine/ten years ago in *The Fisherman*. I'll endeavor to add a remembered remembrance here and there as I go along to "liven things a bit."

The other evening I was discussing past fishing experiences with my son. Naturally, in such a situation I was aglow with past memories and I admit to laying it on pretty thick—for how can an old-time fisherman resist such a golden opportunity? I was going

along at a fair pace when I was halted in my tracks.

"Enough, Pop! Holy smoke! I'm sure fishing was as good as you say, but how did you learn all those things you've been telling me? I remember you once said that when you were a kid, first-rate information for salt-water fishermen was just about non-existent."

Which, of course, was true. In those days there was blamed little information available for us fellows. There were monthly magazines such as *Field & Stream*, *Hunting and Fishing*, *National Sportsman*, and *Fur-Fish-Game*, and little else. These magazines catered chiefly to freshwater fishermen. It seemed we fellows who found the briny a way of life were seldom considered those days.

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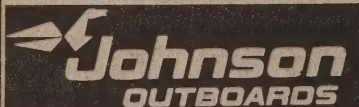
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Of course, the daily newspapers carried fishing columns and party boat ads—just as they do today. I particularly enjoyed Fred Fletcher's Rod and Gun column in the Daily News. Fred was strictly on the ball; he knew exactly what we fellows wanted to read.

So, then, how did those dedicated fishermen of my day go about gaining the necessary knowledge for the full enjoyment of our sport? I can't answer for others, for I don't know; but I do know how I went about it.

First of all, I unashamedly pestered those advanced fishermen who were regarded by others as past masters in the art of sinker bouncing. And in this I was indeed fortunate, for in my Brooklyn neighborhood master fishermen abounded. I'm sure that at times I must have insulted their intelligence with my asinine questions. But never once did those great fishermen tell me to "Get lost!" All took time and pain to set me straight to the best of their ability—and that ability was great!

So intent was I to learn the fishing game, that it was a rare day when I spent time playing sandlot baseball with the other kids. Of course, my reluctance was quickly noticed and I soon acquired the nickname of "Salty." But this didn't faze me in the least. In fact, I felt this recognition showed I was making progress in my desire to learn. I knew I was never cut out to be a Brooklyn Dodger; but perhaps with a little perseverance I might someday become the fisherman I hoped to be.

I knew, too, that I had to help myself as much as possible, and when I realized this, I decided to keep a scrapbook. Everything in interest fish-wise went into it. Soon I was on a second; then a third. Right now, I would give my right arm to have those books, for I don't know what happened to them over the years. I'm sure they would prove extremely useful today—even if only for nostalgic value.

I divided my summer days between catching bullheads, carp, and white perch (which we kids called "silver perch") from a Brooklyn pond and making trips to Canarsie and Sheepshead Bay for snappers, yearling mackerel and lafayettes with Artie Leidecker, with whom I still fish today and Aaron Feldman and Jimmy Anderson, three of the best buddies a guy could want. It didn't take long to discover saltwater fishing was more appealing to me, and I readily gave up the other—even if my saltwater efforts at the time yielded only quarter pound snappers and mackerel, as against occasional 5 and 6 pound carp.

And then one day a wonderful thing happened. I discovered the New York Aquarium, which was then located at the lower tip of Manhattan. Oh, happy, lucky, glorious day!

I don't know if you have ever heard of that Aquarium, or if you have ever been there, or even if you are aware that there did indeed exist such a

place in Manhattan. But there was, and it was a treasure trove for fellows like me.

Originally, the building had been erected to serve as a fort, its primary purpose: to guard New York Harbor. It also served as an immigration center long before Ellis Island was opened for that purpose. In fact, my grandparents entered the U.S. from the "ould sod" here. This was in the 1870s. It was also known as Castle Garden and some of the most famous singers in the world gave concerts here—Jenny Lind was one. But in the days I knew it, it was strictly a fish palace. And what a palace it was!

Not only did the walls of both upper and lower floors display scores of huge built-in plate glass tanks containing just about every known fresh and salt water fish native to these United States—all in their natural surroundings—but I recall there were also varieties of European fish from the rivers Danube, Rhine, Thames, and so forth. One of these European fish was the pearl roach which was introduced into Central Park in 1879. How I remember this is easy. I must have read and reread that tank placard a zillion times, and, fortunately, my fish-oriented brain retains everything pertaining to the subject (but don't ask me to shop for a pound of hamburger without a list).

The City of New York in those days went to great pains to bring knowledge to the interested, no matter what the subject. I'll tell you that in this respect, for fellows like me, having the Aquarium at our beck and call was indeed a stroke of sheer luck. And will wonders never cease—it was open seven days a week—and FREE! All I needed was a nickel to get there, and a nickel for the return home. And that I made sure to always have.

And because of this latter fact, I became one of the greatest hooky players known to mankind. I practically lived there, especially in winter and many a hard time I got from the school authorities and my parents. Where else could I learn so much of what I truly wanted to learn, and at the same time, watch all our bottom feeders at such close range?

I soon became familiar with the manner in which blackfish secured food, how cod attacked prey, how camouflaged fluke charged from cleverly concealed sand-nests with lightning-like speed to ravage unsuspecting schools of killies and other bait fish. I spent hours studying flounder as they lay quietly on bottom, eye sockets continuously revolving while calmly surveying their surroundings. I watched porgies and sea bass pass in parade until I became weary. I spotted bait-stealing bergalls in the midst of committing their larcenous acts. I watched the breathtaking attack of weakfish, stripers and blues and was amazed at their speed and voracious feeding. Oh, yes, I learned—and I learned well.

The Aquarium's employees were first rate, and this was a big help. I

never saw one refuse to answer questions or display a haughty manner. I particularly recall watching a small school of cod as they leisurely swam the confines of their oversize tank, and then noticing a cloudy effect in each fish's eyes, much similar to cataracts in humans. I'd never witnessed this before and it was something that greatly interested me.

I hunted down one of the information guards and asked him what he could tell me about the cause of the cod's condition. He first looked at me with amazement—after all, I was only a little squirt—and then he let out a belly laugh. "Well—I'll be hornswaggled!" he said. "Those cod have been in that tank a week and you're the first to notice they're different from the others. I can't give you the reason, sonny, but if you write a letter to the curator, I bet you'll find out."

And that's what I did, that very same evening. Back came a reply from a Mr. Coates, the curator. I learned that those cod had been captured in extremely deep water (over 100 fathoms) and when this happens to cod, Mr. Coates informed me, the eyes take on a milky appearance. The cod weren't blind, as I had suspected. I was assured the condition would clear normally with no ill-effects. (He was right.)

Now Mr. Coates must have known I was a kid, but he seemed to sense my earnestness, for at the conclusion of his letter, he told me that he had many books on cod, plus all the other fish in captivity. If I cared to, he wrote, I should pay him a visit and he'd gladly answer any and all my questions. I never did take advantage of this windfall, but for the life of me, I cannot recall why. It must have been something really hectic to pass up that opportunity.

I'm certain that 90 percent of the viewing public went to the Aquarium solely for amusement—and there was plenty of that, what with sea lions, alligators, free-strolling penguins, sharks and the like. I'm positive that when those curious folk exited through the fortress-like doors (which at one time it was, as I said), all was forgotten until the urge for a revisit returned; but for serious fishermen, that place was heaven-sent. Yes, sir, the old New York Aquarium was a great place for knowledge-hungry fishermen.

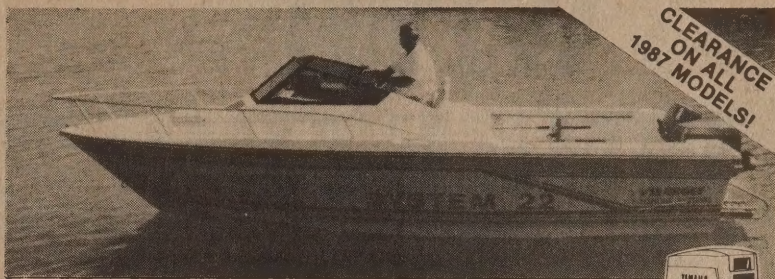
Anyway, fellers, these were some of the "things" aspiring fishermen undertook during those long-gone days in order to learn the fishing game. Were you to ask me which is better—the way things are today with all its easily acquired knowledge, or the way it was then, I would be sore put to give you an answer.

Certainly things in this respect are a lot better—but they sure aren't as much fun. I've always been of the opinion that fishermen are better off when they acquire knowledge through personal initiative and effort.

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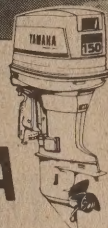
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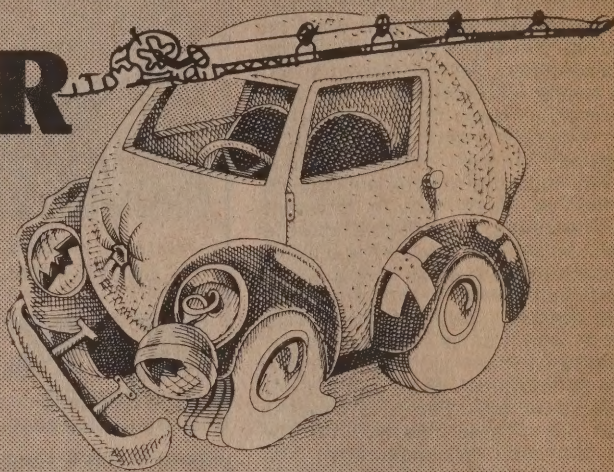
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TRAVELS WITH WHEELER

by Tim Coleman



Wheeler is my fishing car, something we all have, but I'll bet or hope you don't ever own anything like Wheeler. She's a white, two-door, compact model; she's a poor misfit whose creators probably put the finishing touches on her on the Monday morning after New Year's Eve; she's a disaster waiting to take someone fishing; she's an all pro lemon, complete with roof rack for fishing poles.

In time, I'll take Wheeler out to a deserted field somewhere near a good striper beach and shoot it, then leave it for the sea gulls to crap on. Or perhaps I'll donate Wheeler to the Sport Fishing Fund as an artificial reef, but the cod and tautog would give it back, as she'd somehow cause problems for them. If anyone out there in the audience owns a machine like Wheeler, read on, for misery may take comfort in numbers.

This past summer The Fisherman ran a story about a trip from Gloucester out to the mid-reach of Georges Bank to a spot called Cultivator Shoal. What we didn't write about until now was on the way home Wheeler rose to the occasion by performing something more than her normal breakdowns. Just north of the I-93 turnoff to Lowell, Ma., from Interstate 95, Wheeler decided to stop running. One minute she was doing 55 to 60 MPH, the next second, zippo. Luckily the outside lane was empty, so I coasted to a stop off the shoulder. Ever come off a three-day fishing trip, half tired, with three hours driving ahead of you, to find it's going to be a I-o-n-g night thanks to one more sleight of hand from your car?

The reason for the breakdown was a timing chain let go, which cost \$280 to repair at the local dealer where I got

Wheeler; the same dealer will not be getting a Christmas card this season. To arrive at the dealer it cost \$345 for towing from Wakefield, Ma. to Mystic, Ct. It was either that or wait around until the next morning, something not possible since I had appointments in the office the next day.

I can remember climbing in Wheeler one cold morning soon after the warranty ran out to find both the clock and rear window defroster didn't work. Over—once more—at the dealer, the mechanic (\$32/hour) politely explained how both the clock and defroster were on the same wire, so that's why they went out together. I took small comfort in that as I paid the bill.

This past summer we returned via Wheeler from a day of yellowfin tuna fishing on a hot, hot afternoon. If you got three guesses as to which part would stop on such a day, what would you say? The air conditioner, of course. That meant—once more—going back to the dealer to hear it was a hose that let go and it would need a back order. I, of course, should return once the part arrived and, of course, pay for the first visit. On my second visit they installed the hose after, of course, paying for the second visit. The A/C worked fine for about 1½ days; it stopped this time about the time Wheeler passed the the Mass Pike cutoff off I-95, heading south. From there back to Westerly, R.I., it blew a steady, consistent, balmy stream of hot air.

Wheeler doesn't always head north on I-95 to go fishing; at times she's gone down and back to Key West. On her first two attempts, she behaved herself, but on the third time, she

came home needing front end struts. Those cost \$200 plus installation. I should have taken the burning gas station in Georgia as a sign Wheeler would assert herself on the way home. Burning station? On the way down we stopped for gas, in the middle of a teeming rain, somewhere in the Peach State. As Wheeler came off the exit ramp, there right out the front window, looking like something out of the battle scenes from Platoon was a Shell Station completely ablaze. Yellow flames licked the roof of the office, while ominous pink jobbies danced about the bays. With the sirens of the local engine company coming up the road, I figured it might be wise to get fuel in another location.

While that was a fiery moment in Wheeler's 62,000 mile career, there were quiet times like the night she carried a 67 pound bass around in her trunk. The fish had to be bent a bit to get it into the small confines, but to Wheeler's credit, the trunk didn't fall out. But we might add we had to replace the struts that keep the hatchback in an upright position. Those were around \$130 including installation. Do you know how many times one has to bang one's head before it sinks in your hatchback will not stay up until new struts arrive from whence they've been back ordered? Enough, I'll bet, to make a nifty Advil commercial.

Besides the 67 pounder, there's been other happy moments with Wheeler. For instance, everyone at The Fisherman office has become friendly with Mr. Jim Sullivan who owns a Texaco gas station in Mystic, Ct. In-between fishing excursions, Jim always has a smile for his customers, like the time Gloria, our

office manager, called to ask him to send his son with their wrecker over to our office since Wheezer's battery was kaput and it wouldn't start. This was before Wheezer wouldn't start because the timing chain disinvested itself. After paying for the new battery, Jim had a warm word and friendly New England manner as he usually does.

Besides developing an acquaintance with Jim, Wheezer heightened my appreciation of quiet. Once one exits Wheezer's confines one enjoys the luxury of life without pinging. Wheezer, despite the best high test gas money can buy, pings up hill and down dale as she has since the fourth month of our relationship. Other visits to the dealer (besides those for hatch-back struts, air conditioner, etc.), produced some temporary quiet, but always the pinging regrouped to rise from the ashes of my checkbook. Some striped fishermen who wanted to move about unnoticed would never like Wheezer since it's hard to make a quiet entrance when Wheezer's pinging is up to snuff.

I've never tallied how much Wheezer cost in repairs and higher fuel costs, though I can still hear the salesman at the dealership telling me I could use regular no lead thus having a nice economical car. With regular unleaded in Wheezer you'll enjoy a symphony without a radio as you make your way to a 4AM meeting to go bass fishing. For the extra price of high test unleaded, you muffle to orchestra a touch, but will not eliminate it.

The next time I visit the dealer (probably after my next fishing trip), I might try a new pair of shocks since the last time I was there the mechanic wrote on the bill Wheezer was in need. He also wrote down he couldn't locate the new chirp Wheezer is developing somewhere in the front end. The chirp, of course, is different from the ping. If we do a follow-up on this story, we'll let you know outside what fishing location Wheezer broke down this time and what the repair costs were.

We could go on with Wheezer, but you get the idea. If you notice a white, two-door compact sitting out in a deserted field some place near a good fishing spot in Connecticut, Rhode Island or Massachusetts you'll know I broke down and bought a new shotgun. The cost of the new gun was cheap compared with life with Wheezer and it'll feel so good shooting holes in the ole son of a gun.

Editor's Update: Prior to press we just heard from the dealer regarding Wheezer's third attempt to have the A/C fixed. Seems there was a short in the wire which they could NOT locate, so they very politely asked me if I could bring the car back another day to have them follow this up. We're not worried; we've very confident the air conditioner will be running perfectly about the time the bass run hits its stride, somewhere on or about November 1st.

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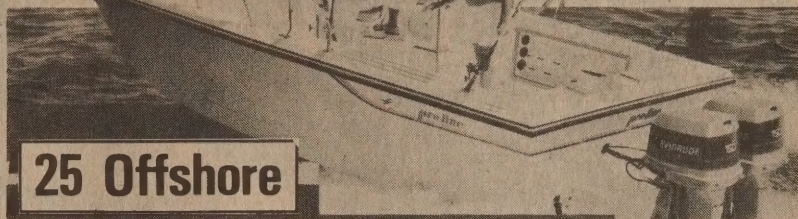
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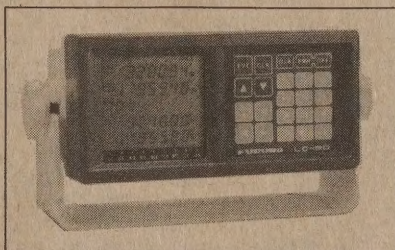
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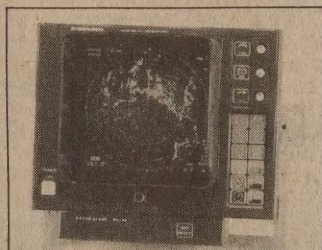
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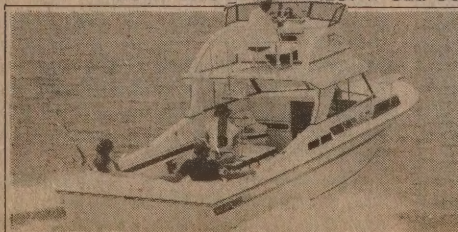
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THE HALVES AND THE HALVE NOTS

by
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You know how the Mona Lisa smiles? It's a smile that you can hardly see. Art critics and historians have been discussing that smile for hundreds of years. But you often see that smile today in fishing tackle shops around the world. After all what is a tackle dealer going to do when he listens to some of the fantastic stories of fishing exploits and piscatorial shenanigans that he hears across the counter or over a cup of coffee. The customer is always right, even though a little hard to believe. At Warren's Tackle Center, in Aquebogue, we hear some

real fish tales, but we never bat an eyelash, or impugn a customer's integrity. When stories become a little strange, however, it is a strain to maintain that enigmatic smile of the Mona Lisa. Here are a few stories that have come across our transom over the last few years.

The Halves and the Halve Nots. The bluefish can be the bane or the antidote to a good day's fishing. The elitists scorn the fish by calling them "alligators."

"I'd rather catch one bass than a hundred bluefish," assert these pin-

stripers. Yet, the bluefish is the fish that provides the most consistent and exciting sport, as well as the most interesting fish tales.

Blues are always yanking someone's unattended rod into the briny, or cutting off a leader that sends a fluttering Hopkins lure to the bottom. These fish are also known to cut another fish in half. We've seen and heard of numerous porgies being severed by a savage blue. One fisherman swore that his porgy was killed by a man-eating shark and hurried back to shore to avoid the disaster of

savage jaws.

We always warn our customers about the size regulations of different species of fish, so when a customer said he wanted to show us a short bass, we were prepared to give a long speech on the conservation of the species. Instead, dangling before my face was a striped bass, cut in half by some fish at least twice its size. We estimated the bass to have been around the 24 inch limit of the time and the bluefish based upon the bite it made, well I really couldn't say.

Everyone knows it's a dog eat dog world and what's good for a bass is good for a blue. Ed Kopack was in the store when a customer asked him if he could identify a fish by the bite it made. Ed didn't think so and suggested that the angler bring the fish to the DEC in Stony Brook. The angler, however, brought the fish in and Ed instantly saw that an enormous bluefish had severed another bluefish of about 5 pounds.

Obviously bluefish don't always have the best of it. One day Paul Kamorow, now of North Carolina, was drifting for fluke in the vicinity of Horton's Point. He wasn't having too much luck with only a couple of sea robins to his credit, or discredit. As he drifted over a ledge on the bottom, he got a bite that he recognized as another sea robin. As he was reeling in, he felt a hard tug and he saw the line being stripped from his Penn 940. He played the fish to the boat and dipped the net to capture a 10 pound bluefish. But the blue wasn't hooked. It just wouldn't let go of the sea robin that wouldn't tear in half.

Reel fishing. Some fishermen never take care of their equipment. Their reels suffer the most. They fill with sand, get encrusted with salt, and often develop a green patina that would look perfect on Lady Liberty. So when one angler brought a rod and reel into the store for repairs and I took a look at it, I couldn't believe it. His reel was not only green but it looked like it even had barnacles.

"Where did you get this, out of Davey Jones' locker, or something?" I quipped, trying to see if the reel could be salvaged.

"Almost," the angler said, smiling. He then proceeded to tell me that he was out fluke fishing when a bluefish hit his bait and after fighting the fish to the boat and netting it he noticed another hook in the fish's mouth. While pulling the leader he felt weight on the other end. He pulled all the line back to the surface and—lo and behold, there was a rod and reel attached. A nice Mona Lisa smile here. We repaired the reel. It works fine.

Was that angler simply covering up the fact that he neglected his equipment so badly, or was he really telling the truth. We've never know. We just walk around shaking our heads and smiling that Mona Lisa smile. Maybe Leonardo da Vinci was telling his model some tall tale while she sat for the painting.

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with Mrs. Lorry Mangan

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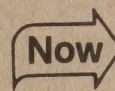
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320 pound thresher caught on the King Wayne during the week.

Anglers are loading up with blues, fishing at the Point, claimed a spokesman from the Montauk Marine Basin. Several large bass were weighed at the marina, many over 40 pounds. On Thursday, bass of 44, 30, 25 and 20 pounds were brought in on the Bluefin IV.

John Whittemore suggests fishing near the Point, or off the beach for blues, while blackfish were good at Shagwong as suggested by catches made on boats rented from Uihlein's Boat Rentals. On windy days, anglers on rentals have been contented with catches of flounder made in the lake. Contact Uihlein's for information concerning their shrink wrapping service, done either in their yard or yours.

Gone Fishing Marina now has green crabs in stock for fall blackfishing. Marina customers found plenty of blackfish at Shagwong on

the weekend; loaded up with blues at Pollock Rip, and discovered many bass under the blues. Giant blue sharks, many well over 200 pounds were located offshore.

Capt. Bill Ricca of the charter boat Alyssa Ann, spoke of plenty of blues and bass caught on jigs and by casting with light tackle. A few bass were large enough to keep. Cod have come into the picture as well. On October 10th, on a charter with Fred Osso and Roy Aralia, 41 cod, the largest 18 pounds were caught. This weekend, Dr. Ben Roth and his family loaded up with blues and caught some bass casting and trolling. On Sunday, Nick Reina with Mike Hofstader and Mike Sullivan also discovered all the blues they wanted, plus landed a dozen schoolie bass. Capt. Ricca has a few open dates for blacks, bass and cod and will sail through November. Call for information.

Unreported in last weeks column was the fine catch of four trophy bass, top weight 47 pounds made on the charter boat Caprice during the full moon. Dave McDowell, Timmy McGee and his friends fished with eels and bucktails at Great Eastern. Later that week, Sinclair Sherman and Mr. Curtis caught several bushels of porgies, then switched to blues and bass in the afternoon. On Friday, October 9th, fishing the full moon, Jim Tolson and his friend scored with bass and blues fishing Great Eastern. Joe Cartinella and Phyllis Reichman made the trek from New Jersey to Montauk, and were rewarded by catching their first bass ever, fish which weighed to 38 pounds, using eels. Capt. Bob Storc reported that 10 school bass, with great numbers of bluefish were diamond jigged at Pollock Rip Thursday morning by Tony DeLuca and his friends. Switching to casting bucktails in the afternoon provided continuous action. On Friday, Brian and Chet Groholski from the Lake Huron Captains Association loaded up with jumbo Block Island porgies and sea bass to 4 pounds. Plenty of porgies, several bushels, were located the next day on Montauk's south side, with super bluefishing later in the day on bucktails. Because of so many fish in the rips at Montauk, Capt. Bob will be scheduling evening trips through the new moon. Call him evenings at 516-671-7690.

Capt. Dusty Dorzbacher enjoyed great porgy action all week on the Little Bear, with only a slight slowdown during Saturday's east winds. According to Capt. Dusty, this Indian Summer fishing is reaching its peak, and is expected to continue through the end of the month. While most anglers are filling at least one five gallon bucket, Phil Westbrook and his son Joey loaded up with fish on a two day fishing spree. The pair counted 250 porgies, plus 30 blackfish for their efforts.

Anglers on the Lazybones are enjoying half day trips for blues and bass, enjoying good action on both blues and bass using either jigs or by casting. Noted surf fisherman, Jason Colby, decided to test his talents on a morning trip on the boat last week. His catch of nine school bass did include a keeper. Les Paul of the Sag Harbor radio station WLNG, enjoyed himself with a catch of blues, plus a tagged bass. The Lazybones sails at 8AM, and again at 1PM, weather permitting for family fun fishing with blues and bass.

Capt. Steven Forsberg reported fantastic action on the Viking's Block Island porgy trips with high hooks on the weekend between 80 and 90 porgies, of fish of mixed sizes—mostly medium with some jumbos. Saturday night's bluefish trip was outrageous, with blues hitting the baits immediately, as fast as you could get it into the water. So many blues were boated, fishing at Cartwrights, that anglers had enough

High Tide Tables

How to use tide tables: To compute the high tide for the area you wish to fish, simply find the closest area on the conversion table. Add or subtract the hours and minutes as indicated from that area station above. Example: Shinnecock Inlet . . . -0 50 is listed under "On SANDY HOOK." -0 50 means you subtract 50 minutes from the times given for the SANDY HOOK STATION for the day you are going fishing. This is the approximate time for the high tide in the area. For low tide, add 6½ hours to this figure.

DAY	SANDY HOOK		BREAKWATER HARBOR		NEW YORK		NEW LONDON		WILLETS POINT		BRIDGE-PORT		NEWPORT		DATE
	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	
THURS.	8:10	8:20	8:50	9:05	8:40	8:55	9:30	9:55	11:15	11:45	11:20	11:45	8:00	8:20	10/22
FRI.	8:45	9:00	9:25	9:45	9:10	9:30	10:05	10:35	11:50	—	—	12:00	8:40	9:00	10/23
SAT.	9:20	9:40	10:10	10:30	9:45	10:10	10:45	11:20	12:20	12:30	12:25	12:40	9:25	9:45	10/24
SUN.	9:05	9:25	9:50	10:15	9:25	9:55	10:30	11:05	12:05	12:15	12:10	12:25	9:05	9:30	10/25
MON.	9:55	10:15	10:40	11:05	10:20	10:55	11:15	—	12:50	1:00	12:55	1:10	9:55	10:25	10/26
TUES.	10:50	11:20	11:35	—	11:20	—	12:00	12:10	1:40	1:50	1:50	2:05	10:50	11:20	10/27
WED.	11:50	—	12:05	12:30	12:05	12:25	1:00	1:10	2:35	2:50	2:50	3:05	11:55	—	10/28
THURS.	12:25	12:55	1:10	1:40	1:10	1:30	2:10	2:25	3:45	4:00	3:55	4:15	12:30	1:00	10/29

On Sandy Hook

STATEN ISLAND	+0 27
ATLANTIC HIGHLANDS	-0 01
Red Bank, Navesink River	+1 48
Long Branch	-0 34
SHARK RIVER INLET	-0 18
Shark River Basin	+0 27
MANASQUAN INLET	-0 12
Seaside Park	-0 33
Mantoloking bridge	+5 34
TOMS RIVER	+4 37
Waretown	+2 33
BARNEGAT LIGHT	-0 20
Manahawkin Bridge	+2 33
Beach Haven	+1 47
LITTLE EGG INLET	-0 01
Seven Islands	+0 12
Graveling Point	+1 05
Mullica River	+1 55
Grassy Bay	+1 08
ABSECON INLET	+0 14
Atlantic City Pier	-0 26
Great Egg Harbor Inlet	+0 12
GREAT EGG HARBOR	+0 44
CORSON INLET	+0 09
TOWNSENDS INLET	+0 06
HEREFORD INLET	+0 02
Grassy Sound Bridge	+0 45
Cape May Harbor	-0 02
Rehobeth Beach	-0 07
INDIAN RIVER INLET	+0 41
SHINNECOCK INLET	-0 50
Shinnecock Bay	+1 25
East Quogue	+2 45
Shinnecock Canal	+1 18
Indian Reservation	+3 05
MORICHES INLET	-0 56
Smith's Point	+3 28
Hart's Cove	+1 30
Pontunk Point	+3 35
Mastic Beach	+3 28
FIRE ISLAND INLET	-0 38
Democrat Point	-0 38
Coast Guard Station	-0 19
Fire Island Light	+0 47
GREAT SOUTH BAY	
Sayville (Brown Creek)	+3 39
Heckscher State Park	+3 20
Bay Shore	+2 23
Babylon	+2 12
Amityville	+2 21
JONES INLET	-0 19
Zachs Bay	+1 25
Seaford Harbor	+2 05
Freeport Creek	+0 34
E. ROCKAWAY INLET	0 00
Long Beach Bridge	
ROCKAWAY INLET	0 00

Beach Channel Bridge	+0 38
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On Bridgeport

Lloyd Point	+0 08
Cold Spring Harbor	+0 08
Bayville Bridge	+0 13
Eatons Neck Point	+0 03
Northport Bay	+0 03
Norwalk Islands	+0 10
Smithtown Bay	+0 08
Cranes Neck Point	+0 05
Port Jefferson Hbr. entrance	+0 03
New Haven Harbor	+0 08
Mount Sinai Harbor	+0 05
Herod Point	-0 07
Mattituck Inlet	+0 05
Horton Point	-0 20
Truman Beach	-0 42
Falkner Island	-0 13
Sachem Head	-0 10
Branford Harbor	-0 07
New Haven Harbor entrance	-0 08
Milford Harbor	-0 07
Stratford, Housatonic River	+0 27
Shelton, Housatonic River	+1 36
Black Rock Harbor entrance	-0 03
Saugatuck River entrance	-0 01
South Norwalk	+0 10
Greens Ledge	-0 01
Stamford	+0 04
Cos Cob Harbor	+0 06
Greenwich	+0 02

On New London

Orient	+0 36
Little Gull Is. (Race)	+0 12
Greenport	+1 04
Southold	+1 43
New Suffolk	+2 26
South Jamesport	+2 32
Shinnecock Canal	+2 33
Noyack Bay	+2 05
Sag Harbor	+0 59
Three Mi. Hbr., Gardiners Bay	+0 21
Promised Land, Napeague Bay	-0 14
Montauk Inlet	-0 25
Montauk Point, north side	-1 13
Niantic	+1 20
Stonington, Fishers Is. Sound	-0 33
Noank, Mystic River ent.	-0 23
THAMES RIVER	
Smith Cove entrance	-0 01
Norwich	+0 12
CONNECTICUT RIVER	
Saybrook Jetty	+1 10

Lyme, highway bridge	+1 24
Essex	+1 38
East Haddam	+2 41
Higganum Creek	+2 54

On Willets Point

Little Neck Bay	-0 10
Execution Light	-0 06
Manhasset Bay	-0 01
Hempstead Harbor	-0 11
City Island	-0 03
Rye Beach	-0 28
Port Chester	-0 09
Mamaroneck	-0 08
New Rochelle	-0 24
Dauids Island	-0 02

On Breakwater Harbor

CAPE MAY POINT	-0 10
Miami Beach	+0 17
East Pt., Maurice River Cove	+0 53
Egg Island Point	+0 33
Cape Henlopen	-0 05
ROOSEVELT INLET	+0 09
Mispillion River entrance	+0 33

On New York

Jersey City	+0 07
George Washington Bridge	+0 46
Spyuten Duyvil, W/RR bridge	+0 58
Ossining	+1 53
Peekskill	+2 24
West Point	+3 16
Newburgh	+3 42

On Newport

Sakonnet	-1 10
Tiverton (between bridges)	+0 21
Beavertail Point	-0 02
Prudence Is., Sandy Point	+1 10
Bristol	+1 10
Warren	+0 21
Nayatt Point	+0 12
Pawtucket, Seekonk River	+0 21
East Greenwich	+0 16
Wickford	+0 12
Narragansett Pier	-0 08
Point Judith Hbr. of Refuge	-0 07
BLOCK ISLAND	
Great Salt Pond	+0 05
Block Island (Old Harbor)	-0 14
Watch Hill Point	+0 44

Sunrise/Sunset

DAY / DATE	RISE:	SET:
THU. 10/22	6:20	5:08
FRI. 10/23	6:21	5:07
SAT. 10/24	6:22	5:06
SUN. 10/25	6:23	5:05
MON. 10/26	6:25	5:04
TUE. 10/27	6:26	5:02
WED. 10/28	6:27	5:01

Moonrise/Moonset

DAY / DATE	RISE:	SET:
THU. 10/22	6:05AM	4:50PM
FRI. 10/23	7:15AM	5:20PM
SAT. 10/24	8:30AM	5:55PM
SUN. 10/25	9:45AM	6:35PM
MON. 10/26	10:55AM	7:30PM
TUE. 10/27	11:55AM	8:35PM
WED. 10/28	12:50PM	9:50PM

Moon Phases

NEW	1st Qtr.	FULL	Last Qtr.
10/22	10/29	11/5	11/13

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The schedule of solunar periods below will help plan your day so that you will be fishing good areas during the time when the fish should be most active. The tables are not a guarantee you will catch fish, however.

The major periods begin at the time shown and last for 1½ to 2 hours thereafter, and are in the bold typeface. The minor periods are shorter in duration and the lighter typeface.

	AM		PM	
	Minor	Major	Minor	Major
Thurs.	4:45	10:55	5:05	11:25
Fri.	5:40	11:50	6:00	—
Sat.	6:30	12:15	6:55	12:45
Sun.	6:25	12:15	7:05	12:50
Mon.	7:30	1:20	8:05	1:50
Tues.	8:40	2:30	9:15	3:00
Wed.	9:45	3:35	10:20	4:05
Thurs.	10:50	4:40	11:25	5:10

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A 48 pound bass, the winner in the Montauk Marine Basin's annual full moon bass tourney, was caught by Tom Rothwell, an East Hampton resident, while fishing on the charter boat **Bluefin IV**. The winning bass, was one of three large fish fought on the charter boat. Plenty of bass around, according to Capt. Michael Potts. On Wednesday's charter with Bob Fischman and his friends, 20 bass plus a bunch of blues were caught on bucktails. Large bass included three that weighed 34, 43 and 48 pounds, while Richard Padley's fish weighed 20 and 25 pounds. Total count of fish caught using diamond jigs and casting bucktails was 35 bass, about 20 blues. A half dozen blackfish, ranging from 3 to 5 pounds were caught before heading home. On the weekend, with trips by a group from Flowertime, PA, at least one keeper bass was located for each half day trip with loads of bluefish. The Romanos located bass of 20 and 25 pounds among 30 schoolies, jigging bucktails with spinning tackle on Sunday morning. An afternoon bluefish charter with the Rodrigues' from New York City encountered 70 bluefish plus over a dozen bass which were released.

Charter groups on the **Julie III** enjoyed non stop action with porgies and sea bass on the weekend. Saturday's trip with Mr. Jones and his friends stopped fishing after catching 416 porgies to 3 1/4 pounds. The catch included 1/2 dozen sea bass to 4 1/2 pounds as well. On picture perfect Sunday, Joe Bruer and his friends caught well over 500 porgies, top weight 3 1/2 pounds, with sea bass and blackfish. Capt. Ron Grandinetti fished at Great Eastern and on the south side of Montauk.

Capt. Mike Albronda remarked that striped bass fishing is excellent with more and more keepers seen on a daily basis on the charter boat **Montauk**. Bottom fishing for blackfish, sea bass and porgies is improving on a daily basis, shaping up for a spectacular fall fishing picture. Capt. Mike is booking charters through mid-November for bottom fishing. Call him for details.

Anglers on the charter boat **King Wayne** enjoyed a variety of species last week. Wednesday's trip, chartered by a group from Mott's Applesauce returned with all the blues they could catch, plus plenty of action with striped bass. Friday's trip for shark, with Capt. Craig Carmen at the helm, and Don Black and George Kadillac on the rods encountered a 150 pound blue shark, plus a huge thresher. The thresher weighed 320 pounds at Tuma's Dock. On the weekend, the order for blues and bass was easily filled on Saturday. Sunday's trip, arranged by Joe Pigano

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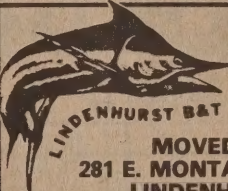
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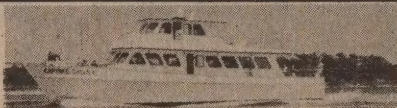
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hooked up with over 2 dozen codfish, top weight 12 pounds plus 30 bluefish on the CIA Grounds. Late in the trip, the area was invaded by dogfish. One angler had the shocking experience of having a dogfish (sand shark) attacked and bitten in half by a blue shark which grabbed on to it as he was reeling it in. Perhaps a new shark bait has been discovered.

Capt. Steve Mauss, fishing on the charter boat *Kraken III* with Murray Hoffman and Capt. Eddie of the "Three Star" discovered a mother lode of blackfish in local Montauk waters. The group used green crabs to catch over 70 blackfish. Although average size was around 4 pounds,

several pushing 8 pounds was in the catch. A few school sized stripers were trolled near the Point on the way back.

SOUTH FORK

Capt. Artie Lach reported excellent blackfishing on the *Wilhelric II*, fishing all the usual early fall spots. Good catches have been made at the North Side of both Plum Island, Gull Island and in the Sluiceway. Good anglers are averaging 8-15 fish per man, with pool fish usually in the eight pound range. Bigger fish have

busted lines on most trips however. On the weekend, approximately 200 blackfish were caught by 17 anglers. Capt. Lach took a ride to Mad Dog Reef during the week and was very impressed with the results, since an examination of the stomach contents of the fish discovered that they were feeding upon mussels. Looks like a great season coming up. The *Wilhelric II* is now fishing blackfish daily, except for Tuesdays. However, the boat will sail on Election Day.

A chat with Thom Speckenbach at **Speck's Bait and Tackle** revealed that plenty of blues are coming from the Shinnecock Inlet area. Anglers trying the Peconics have located blues

both at Jessups and some at South Race. Shinnecock Canal has been the scene of lots of action with porgies, with worms favored as bait. With good weather on the weekend, anglers in search of flounder found slow action, with a pick at the west side of the Ponquogue Bridge, a few flatties in the Basket. Best action at the bridge, however, was centered around sea bass, porgies and blackfish. A few anglers loaded up with blackfish at the Shinnecock jetties, while others found it slow. Guess it was a matter of being there at the right time. Notice a change to fall hours at Speck's. The shop will open weekdays at 6AM, Saturday and Sunday, 5AM. Closing time is 6PM, weekdays, except 9PM Fridays, 5PM Sundays.

Sherry Corr reported on the activities of several anglers with boats docked at **Sherry and Joe Corr's Best Boatworks**. Jim Delgrosso hauled over 3 dozen blues aboard the family boat "Sea Scape" fishing the inlet for a few hours. Bruce McDonald located nice blackfish in the Peconics; Jim Squires with Jay and Glenn Kowalski and Tom Damato filled the "Hobo" with blues. Unreported last week was a mako which hit the 225 mark on the scale. The shark was caught by Steve Gold on the charter boat **Goshawk**, with Capt. Ron Woodward.

Jim Taylor of **Blue Water Tackle** reported plenty of big blues in and around the inlet, very large flounder, some reaching 2-2½ pounds in Shinnecock Bay.

Anglers trolling umbrella rigs hit triple headers of blues on the weekend, with any color tube working according to Ron Arcate of **Mariners Cove Marina**. However, Mr. Dupree, who specifically wanted bonito, managed to outwit the blues, and did land eight of these fish. Those in search of flounder should try just in front of Oscar's Fishing Station, since many flatties, some in the two pound range were caught on worms and clams. Fish the incoming tide.

A chat with Jeff at **Altenkirch & Son** centered on the unbelievable porgy action, called the best in 50 years, that has been a daily occurrence in the Shinnecock Canal. On Sunday, anglers filled three to four buckets with scup. Fish while locks are closed; both worms and clams worked equally as well. A tide table, indicating lock closings, can be obtained free at the store. While a few flounder are in the canal, porgies are attacking baits too quickly to allow the flounder to get to it. In other action, plenty of blues are in inlet areas. Bass of 26, 39 and 42 pounds were weighed in on the weekend. Plenty of blackfish, small to medium size at the Shinnecock jetties. Offshore action has been slow because of sea conditions, but a 130 pound mako was caught in 150 feet of water on Saturday. Dogfish moved into local ocean wrecks on the weekend.

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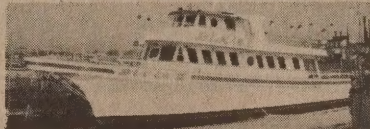
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South Shore REPORT

with Fred Golofaro

Blessed with fine weather on the weekend, anglers were able to enjoy some fine blackfish action in Great South Bay and it looks like a decent start to the Moriches Bay flounder action. Quite a few bass finding their way into the reports from both inlets and bluefishing outside the inlets and on the Patchogue Grounds remains excellent. Probably the biggest news and most dependable action concerns blue claw crabs. Everything from amazing to unbelievable is used to describe the wild crabbing under way in the bays now. Typically, flounder fishermen may pick a few flatties but in addition, they wind up with from 30 to 50 blue claws on their flounder rigs. Those going prepared with traps have been racking up some remarkable crab catches. Offshore news was virtually non-existent with very few exceptions. A big heave on the ocean

through almost all of last week did nothing to help matters either.

MORICHES BAY & INLET

Gary Grunseich at **Silly Lily Fishing Station in East Moriches** told of some decent flounder action now under way in the bay at Great Gun Channel and between buoys 30 and 33. Matt and John Viol proved that there are also flounder in the skinny water near Tuthill Cove opposite the Coast Guard Station. On Sunday, the pair totaled 35 flatties from 1 to 2½ lbs. and added over 100 blue claws for good measure.

Captain Tony Rizzo of the Moriches Based charter Boat **Nino** spoke of excellent action with blues and bass in and around Moriches Inlet. His half day trips have been producing 15 to 30 strikers with more keepers over 33 inches mixing in now. The fish are being trolled and plugged. Due to a late cancellation Saturday AM (Oct. 24) is available.

Captain Ron Woodward of the Shirley Based **Goshawk** proved one of the exceptions concerning the offshore scene. On Saturday, he put Jack Corcoran on to a 250 lb. blue shark.

The big blue was taken in 120 feet of water SE of Moriches where it was tagged and released.

GREAT SOUTH BAY/ FIRE ISLAND INLET

From **J&J Tackle in Patchogue**, Dennis Scognamiglio said that flounder fishing has improved from the local docks with flatties being picked on worms. Still some nice catches of crabs being made at the docks also. Dennis knew of at least one good catch of flatties taken from Moriches Bay this week. On Tuesday, Phyllis Hooker, Maryann Petri, Rose Fidorca and Elaine Dougherty fished near buoy 29 where they put away over 40 flatties up to 2½ lbs. Lots of school bass being trolled on wire and umbrella rigs at the inlet with bigger fish being taken on live eels and blackfish. Ernie Wruck used eels to take 15 strikers during the week.

At **J&R Sports Center in Oakdale** Dave Canale heard from customers that blackfish action on Kismet Reef was very good on Saturday but apparently slowed considerably on Sunday. On Saturday, Nick Sudano aboard his Mister Nick fished the Reef and put away 27 blackfish from 1½ to 6 lbs. Five of his fish ranged between 5 and 6 lbs. A few sea bass are still mixed with the tog on the reef. Dave also knew of several boatmen who managed to pick away at flounder off of Heckscher this week. Another customer returned to the shop with a bushel full of blue claw crabs taken out in the bay.

Reports of very good blackfishing on Kismet Reef and also at the RM Bridge came from Curt at **Islander Canvas Bait and Tackle in East Islip** as well. On Thursday, Louis Fisher culled only the bigger blacks from his catch. He wound up keeping 11 from 3.6 to 8.4 lbs. He also had a bucket of sea bass between 1 and 1¼ lbs. He labeled the flounder fishing as spotty but improving. On Friday afternoon, Louis Crowley took 14 flatties to 1½ lbs. at the Sore Thumb pocket. Jim Rich worked the State Channel near Oak Beach on Saturday. He managed only 5 flatties, but one was a hefty 2 lber. Some big strikers continued to be livelined at the Inlet. On Wednesday Rich Correll used a bunker to take a 36.4 lb. cow.

Decent blackfishing was the word from Carl Miller at **Smokey's Bait and Tackle in Bay Shore**. Good catches were reported by customers working Kismet Reef, the RM Bridge and also from the Sore Thumb shore. A few flounder being picked from Dickson's Channel and the Sore Thumb pocket on worms. The best news concerns the excellent crabbing under way in the bay. Several boatmen managed catches of 50 to 70 crabs while picking away at flounder in Dickerson channel. There was some good bluefish action in 60 to 80 feet of water SE of

the inlet and also tight to the beach but well east of the inlet. Fish are being trolled and jigged. Saturday was excellent south of Patchogue and Cherry Grove with plenty of big blues taken by boatmen. Carl knew of a 600 plus pound giant taken at the Mud Hole back on Tuesday but nothing in the way of offshore news since then.

Some super blackfishing this week on bay wrecks and reefs, according to Neil Delany of the Bay Shore based open boat **Laura Lee**. Skipper called it the best action of the season, with fish of 7 to 8 lbs. taking the pool each day. A fair number of 5 and 6 lb. fish also being taken. On Sunday, the trio of Mike, Danny and John accounted for 81 tautog.

Captain Carl Passero of the open boat **Miss Captree** said that blackfish are now dominating the action on the FI ocean reef. Blackfishing has been good since Columbus Day, though a big roll on the ocean from Tuesday through Friday did hurt the fishing. On Saturday an inshore wreck produced a fair amount of sea bass and ling as well as two cod. The most impressive fish of the week was a monster 6.9 lb. sea bass taken by John Higgins. Sunday's fishing under good sea conditions produced 175 blacks for a small crowd. Dave Hu had an 8 lber. to settle the pool. Bob Gaulke and his wife filled a bucket with blackfish topped off by a 7 1/2 lber.

From **Captree Bait and Tackle** Noel Kappauf confirmed the weight on John Higgins' huge sea bass. He also told of weighing a 8.12 lb. blackfish for Lillian Cvecich. It was taken on Thursday. Beverly Currie stopped in the shop to weigh a 9.10 lb. blackfish that she beached from the Robt. Moses shore. Noel also weighed a pair of nice blackfish for Scott Berrent on Friday. Scott took a 7.8 lb. tog from the Captree shore. He had a 6.4 lber. on Wednesday. Noel noted the super blue claw crabbing under way and said that Fisherman's Walk has been producing buckets of blue claws. Blackfish are being taken from shore near the old construction dock and the RM piers.

Captain Jim McKoy of **Captain Hook/Shearwater Charters** worked south of the Linda on Saturday with a group headed by Ed Rago. Bob Rago managed to put away a 275 lb. blue shark. The group also had a few dozen big blues. On Sunday, Jack Elo's group wound up with a fair catch of bluefish.

Captain Speedy Hubert of the Captree open boat **Speedy VIII** described the bluefishing on Saturday and Sunday at the Patchogue grounds as pandemonium. Fishing was being done on the Patchogue Grounds both day and night. A reminder that Speedy will be sailing special cods trip on November 3rd and 11th. Call for details and reservations at (516) 661-1652.

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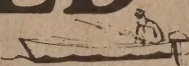
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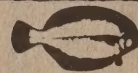
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and night. Most of the fishing has been at Patchogue with all of the 3 to 15 lb. blues you could want. George noted that Friday and Saturday night bluefish trips are slated for 7PM.

Speaking from **Augie's Bait and Tackle** in Babylon John Gattuso noted improved flounder fishing in the bay on the Babylon flats and in the state channel. The Babylon Tuna Club held their annual Flounder Derby on the weekend. Tom Cordella finished first with a 2.7 lber. In second place was Eddie Orlandi with a 2.1 lber. and third, was Bob Ufer with a 1 lb. 10 oz. flattie. Some good blackfishing at Kismet and the RM bridge with some sea bass still mixing in particularly at the bridge. Crabbing has been fantastic with lots of blue claws being

taken by flounder fishermen. The only offshore news concerned some rumors of a few bluefish taken chunking at the Virginia on Sunday.

Mike Andreani speaking from **Lindenhurst Bait and Tackle** called the crabbing phenomenal, with catches of 40 to 50 crabs being reported regularly by hook and line fishermen. Bob Frank stopped by the shop with two bushels of crabs taken in traps. Blackfishing is holding its own. On Saturday, Brian Uhr and Ronnie Serota took 22 blacks at the RM bridge. Flounder on the upswing with catches of 15 and 18 fish made on Saturday in the east-west channel south of Lindenhurst town beach. Big stripers continue to be livelined at the inlet with fish to 48 lbs. weighed in

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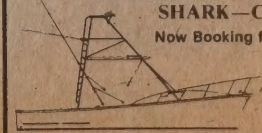
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this week. Eels and bunker have been doing the damage. The last tuna news dated back to Columbus Day and concerned a couple of giants at the Mud Hole.

Jimmy Schafer at **Charlie's Bait and Tackle in Lindenhurst** said that blackfishing remains very good at Kismet and RM bridge. Back on Thursday Bob Rousseau and Bob Winter totaled 48 blacks to 6½ lbs. at the RM bridge. Also on Thursday, Doug and Chris Poulan worked the Sore Thumb shore and totaled 30 blacks to 5½ lbs. During the week, Jim Trearmer and Warren Rosenfeld teamed to take 36 blacks to 4 lbs. at the RM bridge. Diane Pfeifer of Amity Harbor Fishing Club used a green crab to take an 8 lb. black at Kismet on Friday. Flounder have been a slow pick with the best bet being the state channel between Lindenhurst Cut and Cedar Beach Marina. One guy had 17 flatties there. Sore Thumb has flatties too, but most are small. Plenty of blues in 60 feet of water SE on Sunday. Tom and Steve Fairchild and Charlie Bennett chummed 24 to 16 lbs. in that area on Sunday.

Over at **Bob's Bait and Tackle in Amity Harbor**, Bob Rose looked over a load of blacks to 4 lbs. taken on Friday by Mick Valentine aboard his Escape Hatch. They came from the 3rd Wantagh bridge. On Saturday, Tom Claude skipped offshore to the Mud Hole where he did nothing with tuna but did have blues and dogfish. Flounder remains a slow pick with lots of blue claw crabs grabbing flounder rigs.

From **Edelman's in Farmingdale**, Frank Pristera labeled blackfishing as excellent at FI ocean reef. High water slack has been producing the best blackfishing these days. Some big weakfish still being livelined on bunker near the inlet and small flounder and porgies in the Sore Thumb pocket. A few guys tried soaking clam baits on the weekend. They found no cod, only lots of dogfish.

West End REPORT

with Stu Miller

We got a halfway decent break from the weatherman this week with some nice catches of fish being made as a result. Hottest news is the continued super strong blackfishing at most of the bridges and on the inshore wrecks. Inside mixed bags have been fair to decent, while the strong fall flounder run has yet to show. Blue claw crabs are being caught heavily in traps, while all

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reports of snappers ceased this week. Still huge hordes of big bluefish inside under the bunker schools and great bluefishing outside not far from the local inlets. Some tuna being caught, bigeyes, longfin and Bluefin at the canyon, and offshore wrecks.

WEST END BAYS/ JONES INLET

From **Wanser's Tackle in Seaford**, Lon tells of a good flounder showing at Four Corners along with the 2nd and 3rd Wantagh bridges and the Big M. Loads of blues from Zachs to Jones Inlet looking for a meal of bunkers. Blackfishing excellent at the bridges, particularly Big M, with a few bass thrown in for good measure for those chumming the bridges with clam. Porgies and sea bass hitting worm and clam bait in Massapequa Cove and loads of blues outside. Lon said he heard of bluefin tuna being

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caught this week at the Mud Hole and the Bacardi Wreck.

From **Skip at Old Harbour Marina** we learned of super BCC hauls from Massapequa Cove to Seaford Channel with rental skiffs bringing in coolers full since Thursday working low tide with traps. Blackfishing has been very good going 1 to 3 lbs. at the bridges on fiddlers and greens, with flounder improving since Thursday, but still not great. Flounder jacking in the evenings has been strong in the flats.

Over in **Wantagh** Mike at **Causeway Bait and Tackle** called the blackfishing excellent in the bay and in the ocean. Bay action has been best at the high at 3rd W and Big M on fiddlers or greens, fish running 1/2 to 4 lbs. with a few going up to 6. Blackfishing on the wrecks in 30 to 60 feet of water on green crab has been hot. Scattered catches of sea bass and some triggerfish. A super area has been the Sore Thumb for blackfishermen casting from the shore taking blacks 1 to 6 pounds on greens. Flounder have improved a bit, now 8 to 10 a boat, best

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We hear from Roy at Merrick Tackle in Bellmore that customers have been picking away at flounder throughout the bay, also taking scattered catches of sea bass and porgies. Blackfishing at all the local bridges has been very good on fiddlers and greens. Bluefishing offshore has been excellent mostly at Cholera and there are still some bass being chummed at the bridges spanning the state channel.

Sailing out of Freeport, the Lady J

Fleet had a 97 lb. bigeye tuna and 3 longfin tuna in the 40 to 50 lb. range for four anglers at the canyon this week. Captain Pat found the bluefish trips hot and cold and said that doggies are starting to show up. His charters found the ocean bottom action fair with big blackfish, sea porgies and sea bass competing for the baits. On bay trips there was a noticeable improvement in floundering on incoming while there was better sea bassing on the ebb. Trips this week were sailed for: St. Mary's H.S., Manhasset, A&P Shipping Co., Corona, Bud's Bar, Queens, Syntax Intl., Pa., Canada Dry Bottling, College Pt., Lehigh Carting, Bklyn., Wantagh F.D., Forest Park Lawn FC, IBM and Nick Rapuano party.

Captain Richie Kessinger's Star-Stream II had nothing but raves about

this week's day and nights trips. Catches have been mainly on bait and all action has been less than an hour from the inlet.

A call from the Captain Lou Fleet advised that both the full and half day boats are continuing their assault on the fall flounder. On the full day boat high hooks have been running in the 30s. On Tuesday Al Andrews of Freeport had 38, while on Thursday Pat and Charlie of Bayside had 43 between them and Doc Reiner of Flushing bagged 22. Happiest of all was Mike Karacinski with 45 flatties. The Wednesday ocean fluking trips are still sailing. See ad for details.

Two tuna trips were sailed this week by the Bluefin Fleet ... one for Crescent Contracting with 11 BFT boated to 200 lbs. This was for 11 anglers. Tom Tropidi had 2 fish in the



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Captain Mike Barnett of the charter boat **Cod Father** called to say that he, along with Captain John of the charter boat **Freedom** and Mike, mate on the charter boat **Norseman** teamed up Wednesday and socked it to approximately 200 blackfish up to 8½ lbs. fishing the Shrewsbury Rocks.

Bob at the **Freeport Boatmen's Association** called the ocean bluefishing at Cholera absolutely great and ocean bottom action aboard the **Super Spray II** and the Association charter boats also excellent on sea bass and blackfish. The **Super Spray II** has also been bagging 5 to 10 small cod a trip, hopefully a taste of things to come. The **Norseman** last Monday had 15 longfin tuna in the 60 to 70 lb. class working the canyon, Bacardi and Virginia areas. Lots of flounder, sea bass, blacks and porgies inside. Dogfish starting to move in on the outside grounds.

From **Garan's Tackle in Merrick** also comes word of fantastic blackfishing at all the bridges with local wrecks such as the Iberia and T

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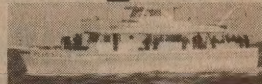
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Wrecks holding fish to 8 lbs. Bay flounder improved some this week, and blues remain strong inside and in the ocean. Randy heard of tuna action at the canyon and giants at the Mud Hole, but no details were available he said.

Over in **Point Lookout** we hear from the charter boat **Marie III** that Monday's trip saw super bluefishing at Cholera, fish 10 to 15 lbs. on bait and chum, while Saturday's trip for the 562 Club had fair bluefishing and about 55 nice sea bass up to 4 lbs. Sunday's trip for Bernie Gerber had some good floundering, fish 1/2 to 1½ lbs. with some sea bass, porgies, blacks and ling mixed in.

The word from the **Captain Al** is that Sunday's ocean bottom fishing was red hot, a harbinger of even

better catches to come as the water cools. It was a real mixed bag of sea bass, blacks, porgies, ling, blues, doggies, cod, triggerfish, sea robins, fluke and flounder. Loads of blues and loads of sea bass said the skipper. Saturday's fishing was a little tougher due to the roll, but the same variety was had. During the week the bottom action ran from fair to super also, with various spots hit.

Captain Steve of the **Night Hawk** termed the week's floundering very good, fish 1/2 to the occasional 2 lber. Also lots of big ling in the deeper spots. Saturday's bluefish charter for Larry Mueller and party found good bluefishing in the latter part of the day at Angler Banks on 8 to 12 lbers., bait and chum. Sunday's trip for the Phil Delaney group saw flounder, sea

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bridges on blood and sands. Plenty of blackfish at the north and south channel bridges and the Marine Parkway bridge, fish 3 to 5 lbs. on fiddlers and greens. Pete Muff hoisted 30 blacks from 3 to 4 lbs. plus two 5 lbers. on green crab at the north channel bridge. Pete Martinez bagged a 4½ lb. black and seven more 2 to 3 lbers. on green crab at the MP bridge. Good bluefishing still available, best on live bunker.

Captain Jack of the charter boat **Jaalee One** had a one man trip for George Garafolo with George taking roughly 100 blackfish, keeping the biggest roughly all 5 to 7 lbers. Another trip this past week for Tighe Casey and pals Wayne, Ray and Mike, had roughly 250 blackfish keeping the 30 largest, all 5 to 9 lbers. This was all on green crab working inshore wrecks off the Rockaways.

A call from the **Capt. Mike III** also out of Howard Beach spoke of very good flounder fishing during the week. Rich Diaturo had 24 Wednesday and returned Thursday for another 36. Mike has been working the inlet off Louie's Pier and Floyd Bennett.

We hear from Capt. Tom Palladino of the **Elsie K III** out of Sheepshead Bay, that his fares had good blackfishing during the week. Action slowed a bit Saturday but bounced back on Sunday with fares catching a lot of 5 to 7 lbers. on the wrecks between Scotland and Ambrose.

Captain Walt of the **Flamingo III** said the bluefishing continues to be super excellent, with a fall run of giant blues now running 8 to 14 lbs. and larger and catches really excellent. Action has been close to the inlet, mostly on bait. The boat has been working 17, offshore Sea Brig and farms.

The Wee Willie report out of **Mike's Tackle** directly across from the fleet is that there continues to be fair fluking at Ambrose and along the Rockaways with fish medium size and mostly keepers. Flounder and porgies in Jamaica Bay. Loads of blues both day and night still being caught. Blackfishing good and improving daily with some big porgies mixed in. The Wee one advised that Capt. Al Coley's **Betty W IV** had about 30 big-eye tuna on this week's Hudson Canyon trip with fish going to 200 lbs.



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Eileen at **Ed's Fishing Station** noted that her rental skiffs and also private boats are having super blackfishing at the Big M and loop bridges on fiddler and greens and at the jetties too. A LOT of fish, she said from 1 lb. to 5 lbs. Super bluefishing at Choleria Sunday on bait and flounder showing best now in the flats, with sea bass and porgies mixed in.

Captain Ron of the **Miss Point**

Lookout said the flounder action has been up and down depending on the day and the tide. Vito Erico was high hook Friday with 18. The skipper said mostly its 4 to 15 good flounder a man, with some nice blackfish mixed in. He also advised that night bluefishing is over now for the season, but he is accepting night bluefish charters and the blues are still super.

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Artie at **Cross Bay Bait and Tackle** told of lots of flounder being caught off the north and south channel

**North Shore
REPORT**

with Marty Garrell

Excellent bottom fishing for blackfish and porgies highlights this week's north shore report. Many bulldogs were taken from Huntington

to Orient Point while most of the scup ranged medium to large. Bluefish are still at the harbor mouths, but seem to be moving out into the open Sound. Smatterings of flounder were reported from several sources west of Northport Bay.

WESTERN SOUND

John Cacciola at the **Glen Cove Sport Shop**, reports blackfishing and action with flounder seem to be off to good starts with the former responding to green crabs, fiddlers or steamer necks and the latter jumping on sandworm baits.

NORTH SHORE MID-ISLAND

George Valentine at **Four Winds** noted some excellent blackfishing available to anglers working Target Rock and buoy 11B. To prove his point, George listed tautog scores of 10.5 lbs. for Fred Schnetter, 9.6 lbs. for Bill Jirinee, 9.1 lbs. for Tony Bott and 8.10 lbs. for Lou Tinto. In the three-way fishing derby between the Harbor Anglers, Mill River Rod and Gun Club and Huntington Anglers, Rich Schaller walked away with first place in the bluefish division, weighing a chopper of 14 lbs. Warren Kechler nailed a 13.12 lber. for second place, while the bronze was taken by George Josberger with a fish weighing 12.11 lbs. The first two anglers each belong to the Huntington Anglers Club while the third place finisher was a member of the Mill River Club. All the blues were taken in the vicinity of buoy 13.

Jerry Cedar at **Huntington Prop** echoed the good blackfish action with bulldogs around buoy 11B, adding that some anglers are also scoring well while working Connecticut wrecks. Flatties are just getting started in Huntington Harbor and at Lloyd's Neck. A few big blues can still be had on bunker chunks worked outside the harbors, but the blues do seem to be moving out into the Sound.

A call to the **Greenlawn Sport Shop**, revealed strong blackfishing in ten feet of water at Morris Rock. John Melchior and Jack Graser teamed there to take more than 20 blacks in the 6 to 8 lb. class on green crabs. Bulldog tog were also reported from Target Rock and buoy 11B. A few blues are still in the surf. Fishing from a local beach, John Ferrante worked an early morning pod of blues to 9 lbs. late in the week. Green Creek Chubs were the key.

From Captain Anthony Taverna of the charter boat **Morning Star**, **Port Jefferson**, we learned of the availability of medium and large porgies in deep water. Fishing on outgoing tide produced a mixed bag of over 100 porgies and 30 blackfish in the 3 to 6

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Captain Roy Cash of the party boat **Port Jeff Ace**, confirmed the fine porgy action, adding that his fares have had their best luck in 60 to 110 feet of water. Blackfishing is just getting under way with a few being culled on each trip. Fish of the week was a 9.6 lb. pool winning tog taken by Frank Stellato of Huntington. The **Ace** is working bluefish on the return trip whenever the tide permits.

Sound Charters Captain John Alberda, reports excellent action in the Huntington area with blues to 16 lbs., a few short bass and some large blackfish. The Steve Whelen party had some of all three species on a weekend charter.

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NORTH FORK

A call to **Warren's Tackle Center**, tipped us off to some solid action with blackfish and porgies along the local beaches. Reports of bass continue to filter in, but none have actually been weighed at the shop in recent days. On the Peconic side, the Shelter Island area is offering a pick of flatties, small blues and school weeks.

Anglers stopped by **Peterson's Mattituck Inlet Fishing Station**, have reported scoring well with blackfish from Rocky Point all the way to "the motel." A lucky fisherman dunking green crabs from the charter boat

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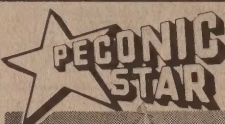
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Lady K had 21 tog to 8.5 lbs. one day during the week. Anglers are also experiencing a great run of jumbo porgies to 2.5 lbs. between the inlet and Horton's Point. Blues are still off Horton's and 1-2 lb. flounder are well established up and down Mattituck Creek.

Louise Kitsch at A.P. White Bait Shop in Greenport, had plenty of good fishing to speak of this week. She started with husband and son, Capt. Pete Kitsch and Pete Jr., who on Saturday scored with 25 bulldog blackfish—all over 9 lbs., while working crab baits off Mullford Pt. Captain John of the Sea Star, also hit black gold, taking 200 blackfish to 10 lbs. on green crabs fished just east of Little Gull Island. Fishing from the Sound side of Port of Egypt, Kevin Horton used a sandworm to entice an 11 lb. blackfish. On the charter boat Prowler II, Wanita Verable of the Lady Reelers and her party of six, filled their coolers with mixed porgies and sea bass. Roosevelt Brooks was high hook with 88 fish. Strippers were in the North Fork picture, too. In fact, Kevin Dehler checked in a pair weighing 35 lbs. and 42 lbs. which

were taken in the "Sluiceway" while fishing from the Spanky II.

A call from Capt. Larry Ciccotto revealed consistent fishing for 1 to 3 lb. blackfish prior to the weekend when some bulldogs moved onto the scene. Saturday's pool winner was a 9 lb. tog while Sunday saw Auggie Perez deck a 14 lb. brute to cop the pool. Plenty of porgies and flounder are mixing in with the blacks and most fishing is taking place in less than 60 feet of water.

Surf REPORT with Fred Golofaro

The Fourth Annual Surf Bluefish Derby sponsored by The Fisherman and Captree Bait and Tackle in cooperation with the Long Island

State Park Commission, went off without a hitch on the weekend according to official weighmaster, Noel Kappauf of Captree Bait and Tackle over 900 casters competed in the event as a couple of hundred blues were marched to the scales. While the winning fish did come from West End Jones Beach, both Cedar Beach and Democrat Point provided good flurries of action on Sunday morning. More on the event further along in the column.

Around the Island, casters enjoyed some fine action particularly along East End beaches. Montauk continues to provide some outrageous bluefish action up front, though not with the regularity of a couple of weeks back. There are also lots of school bass at the Point with plenty of 3 to 10 lb. bass spread along the sand beaches. Here and there, a caster found his long sought trophy. The best fish to come to our attention this week was a 52 lber. taken by hard fishing Jimmy Paulsen at Moriches.

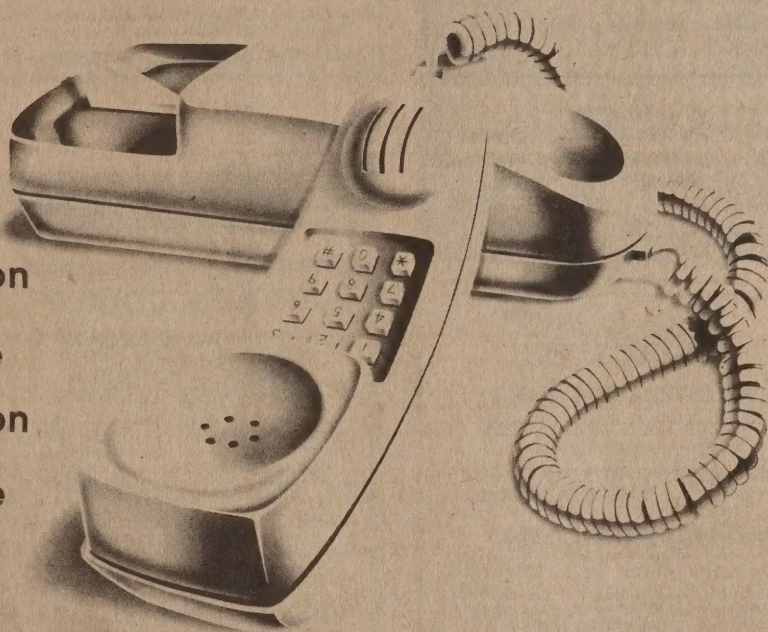
Out at Johnny's Tackle Shop in Montauk, Johnny Kronuch did have a couple nice bass to report amongst the influx of schoolies and hordes of blues. He put a 40 lb. striper on the scale for Gary Stevens. It was taken at Shagwong on Friday night. Ed Sherry managed a 20 lb. striper just before dawn on Monday (10-19) near Scotts. Lots of school bass to 12 lbs. taken during the week up front and after dark. Wednesday night saw a good shot of fish at North Bar with plenty of blues and bass mixed under the light. Sunday morning witnessed a wild scene as blues in the 7 to 9 lb. class came ashore between Clarks Cove and all the way around to the light. The wild fishing lasted for a couple of hours and it did not repeat in the evening.

From Speck's Bait and Tackle in Southampton, Thom Speckenbach spoke of lots of bluefish taken at Shinnecock Inlet and on the ocean beaches east and west of the inlet both Saturday and Sunday. The fish were taken on tins and poppers. Saturday also saw a good influx of bass among the blues and Thom knew of at least a couple of cows in the 40 lb. class taken from this area.

One of those fish was likely a 44 lb. cow taken by Mike Demna at 7AM Sunday on the west side of Shinnecock Inlet. The big cow nailed a pencil popper and was weighed at Blue Water Tackle in Hampton Bays.

Over at J&J Tackle in Patchogue, Dennis Scognamiglio had quite a bit of surf news to report. He told us that Patchogue Fishing Club member George Remien fished the west side of Moriches Inlet on Tuesday and used bunker to take 6 big blues. On Wednesday morning, Jay Tiedemann had blues to 12 lbs. on the west side of Shinnecock (Hampton Bays). Saturday morning saw Patchogue Fishing Club member Ed (The Red) work east side of Shinnecock. He reported all the big blues you wanted as he himself put away 15 big choppers in the

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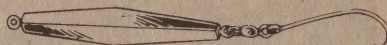
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12 lb. class on popping plugs. Bruce Forster also opted for Shinnecock. He managed to cull a 31 lb. striper from among the big blues. Quite a few nice stripers taken from the Moriches shore at Great Gun Beach and the inlet last week. They were taken on Bombers, darters and bait.

To the west, along the Fire Island shore, lots of school bass being taken by those with access to the Davis Park and Water Island areas. Mike Prisco and Cliff Dietz trekked to Montauk on Saturday morning. They connected with 62 blues and added a 34 inch striper for good measure.

Dave Canale at J&R Sports Center in Oakdale reported that he, Sal Pantaleone and Pat Ryan managed 10 stripers on tin and tubes from the sand beach in Amagansett on Saturday. On Sunday night, after the hordes of derby contestants had retreated, Dave and Pat worked the tip of the Cedar Bar. From 7:30PM until 11PM when he was too tired to catch another fish, the two casters had big blues on virtually every cast. The fish which ranged to 16 lbs. were taken on both bait and plugs. Dave also knew that a caster took a bass in the 30 lb. class on a yellow darter on the Bar late Friday PM-early Saturday AM.

Captree Bait and Tackle was a beehive of activity over the weekend. Noel Kappauf reported a steady stream of blues being weighed for the derby. The top 10 winners were: 1st-Scott Schleyer, 15 lbs.; 2nd-Felix Carriello, 14.12; 3rd-George Wade, 14.7; 4th-Eugene Neal, 14.6; 5th-Louis Kamire, 14; 6th-Ignatius Pellitano, 13.11; 7th-Jeff Hopkins, 13.7; 8th-Michael De Graph, 13.6; 9th-Scott Schleyer, 13.5; 10th-Mitch Sarro, 13.4. Congratulations to all the winners and thanks to all those who participated for contributing to the efforts of the Sport Fishing Fund. Also, a special thanks to Bill Muller for a superb job in coordinating the Derby. Copies of the Surf Derby video with footage on the fishing, weigh ins and award ceremony are available. If you're interested you can contact Noel or Bob at Captree Bait and Tackle at 422-1177.

Bill Santoro was a few days early with his big bluefish. He checked in an 18 lb. chopper at Captree Bait and Tackle back on Tuesday. It was taken on bait at Democrat Point.

John the Baptist connected with another big fish on Saturday morning. According to Mike Andreani at Lindenhurst Bait and Tackle John used a bunker to take a 31½ lb. cow bass from the swirling currents inside Fire Island inlet. Mike also relayed word that a couple of customers reported good action with blues early mornings at Democrat on the weekend. Fish were taken on both bait and plugs according to customers.

Jimmy Schafer at Charlie's Bait and Tackle in Lindenhurst knew of stripers of 16 and 22 lbs. taken early Saturday morning at Robert Moses Field #4 by Mike Shannamian. Mike used a Krocodile spoon and Red Gill

combo. Both fish were taken on the Dropper. Jimmy also had word of blues at Democrat early Sunday morning on tin, poppers and biat., Mike Cerdini had 5 to 10½ lbs. Back on Friday, Kevin Fay got in on a blitz of blues to 8 lbs. at Democrat. He managed 8 on tin and reported the surf was loaded with sand eels.

Gateway Striper Club member Joe Ruggieri reported on the efforts of fellow club member Terry Farrell. Terry worked the Breezy Point surf on Tuesday evening to take stripers of 32 and 38 lbs. Joe also knew of some weaks and school bass being taken on the back side of Breezy and various points in Jamaica Bay on swimming plugs. Big blues continue to harass bunker schools in Jamaica bay as well. Another Gateway member reported weighing a 43 lb. striper for another caster at the Cedar Bar early last week.

Up on the North Shore, The Glen Cove breakwater produced plenty of big blues from 10 to 12 lbs. for bunker chunkers. According to John Cacciola of Glen Cove Sport Shop, big blues were also being taken near Pryble pier. Biggest blue of the week was a 16.2 lber. taken by Rich Gorgie.

Stan Hentschel at Rocky Point Fishing Stop had the honor of weighing that 52 lb. cow for Jimmy Paulsen. The big striper was taken last Monday night at Moriches Inlet's West Side on a 7 inch Redhead Bomber. Locally, bunker chunkers continue to take lots of blues from 10 to 14 lbs. at Broadway, Shoreham and East to Mattituck. Stan noted that he's weighed more north shore bass over 30 lbs. this year than he has since 1978.

Freshwater REPORT

with Tom Schlichter

Bass, trout, pickerel and carp are still providing action for sweetwater fans. Surprisingly, many of the fish being taken are still coming from shallow water areas. While I didn't wet a line on the freshwater front this week, I did stop by a few of my favorite ponds for a look during the early evening hours. Quite a few small and medium sized bass were holding in 3 and 4 foot depths along the shore at each location checked. Perhaps a few trips in the late afternoon would be a good idea for bass anglers trying to get out this week.

At Beckman's Bait and Tackle, Lynbrook, Bill Beckman reports hearing of some pretty good action with trout. Fishing at Caleb Smith State Park on Saturday Larry Hickman of

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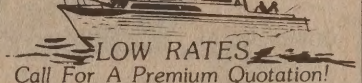


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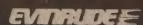
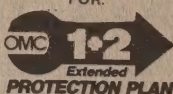
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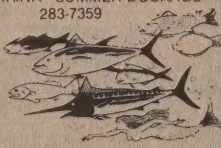
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Oceanside, nailed a 16 inch rainbow and two smaller trout on a Hare's Ear nymph. Working the other side of the Island, Jack Hetzel of Brentwood, used a Rooster Tail spinner to catch and release 25 trout to about 12 inches at Bubble's Falls.

Little change in the bass fishing since last week is the word from Bobby Turtello of Causeway Bait and Tackle, Wantagh. Anglers on their way to the North Twin Lake are still stopping by to grab a few live killies. Fishing has been best in the evening with 1 to 3 bass about an average score. Action with carp and sunfish has slowed.

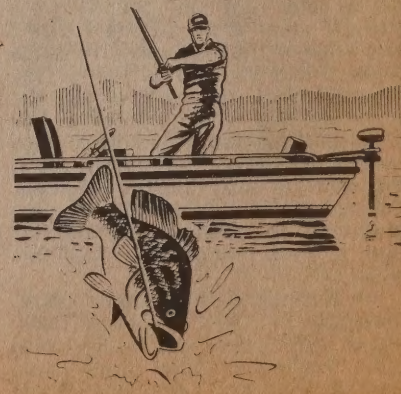
A call to Fred Laager of Edelman's Sportsman's Center, East, revealed some decent bass activity on Lake Ronkonkoma. Kenny Kelly was one lucky angler, using blue and silver Rebels to trick 5 bass to 2.5 lbs. on Friday. Forge Pond was also productive last week, giving up bass and pickerel to 3.6 lbs. to Karl Paulsen. Shad Raps and fluorescent orange Big O's did the job for Karl.

From Tom Healy of Lindenhurst Bait and Tackle, we learned of a few bass and carp being taken from the Bergen Pt. golf course lakes. One angler looking for white perch pulled a 4 lb. carp from behind the funeral home.

At J&R Sports Center, Phil Briggs was recuperating from a trip to a New Hampshire lake where he caught 72 trout over the weekend. Locally, Chris Mealy worked Connetquot River State Park Preserve on Friday, scoring with four rainbows in the 16 to 20 inch range. Chris' heaviest trout weighed 3.5 lbs. and fell for a Muddler Minnow.

Patchogue and West Lakes are still the place to be for freshwater regulars from J&J Bait and Tackle, Patchogue, according to Paul Graniello. The first location is producing a generous number of small to medium sized bass and pickerel, while at the latter location, Fred Lowenhaupt used a Rebel plug to catch and release a 5.12 lb. largemouth. A few trout are quietly being taken in local tidal creeks.

Mrs. Devlin termed this a slow week at the Fisherman's Deli, Riverhead. While anglers took a few bass and panfish on Saturday and Sunday, none of the catches were outstanding.



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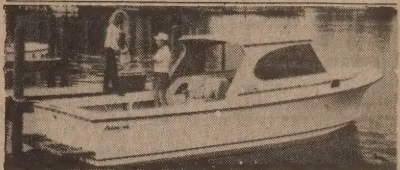
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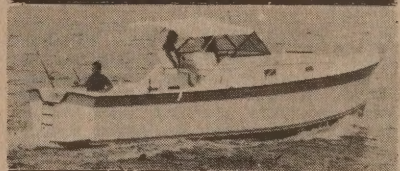
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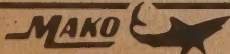
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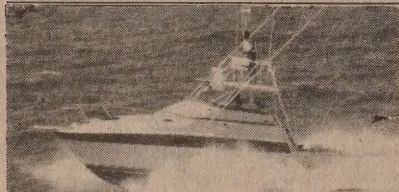
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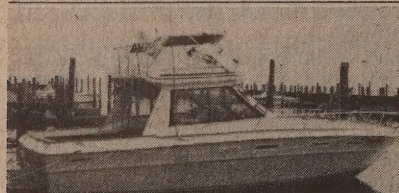
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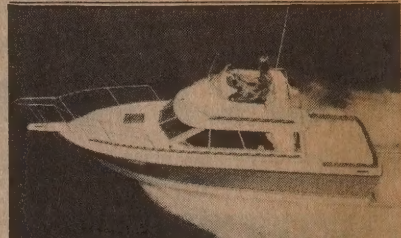
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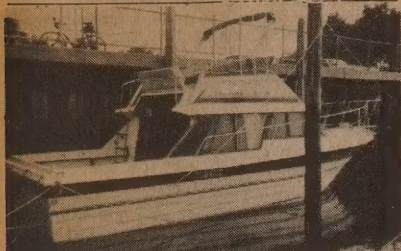
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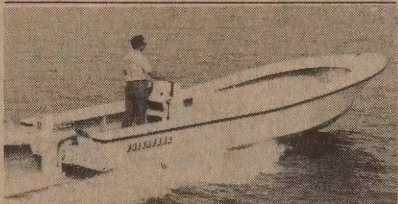
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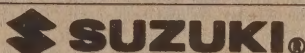
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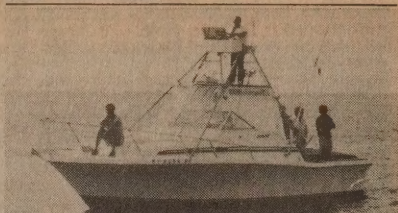
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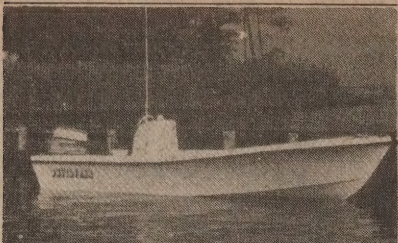
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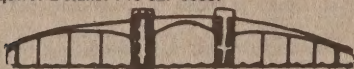
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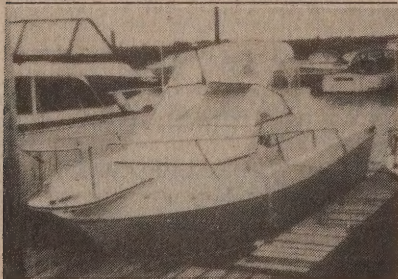
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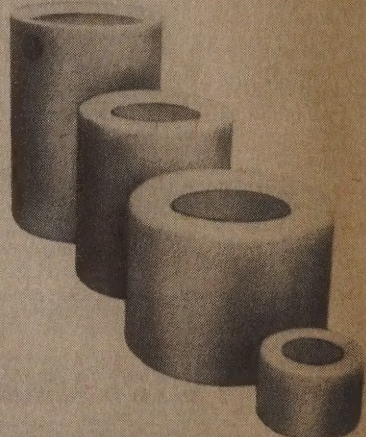
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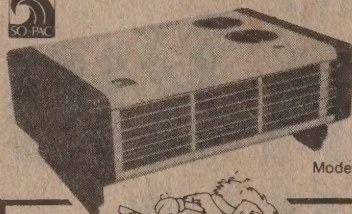
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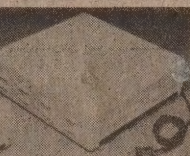
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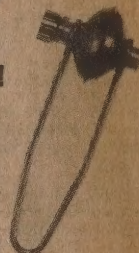


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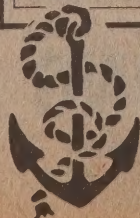
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